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BIRTHS.

BARTLEY—January 14, 1916, at Ashvale, Ballybay, Co. Monaghan, the wife of WM. BARTLEY, M.D., of a daughter.

POWELL—January 13, 1916, at 89 Lower Baggot street, the wife of THOMAS V. POWELL, 36 Palmerston road, Dublin, of a son.

SMALL—January 6, 1916, at Laurel Hill, Loughgall, Co. Armagh, the wife of ALEX. SMALL, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

DE COURCY-MEADE AND TUCKER—January 11, 1916, at Rathclaren, Co. Cork, by Archdeacon Emerson, D.D., assisted by the Rev. W. O'Neill, M.A., Rector of the Parish, THOMAS DE COURCY-MEADE, M.Inst.C.E., of "Westella," Buxton, formerly of Innishannon, Co. Cork, to GERTRUDE JANE, youngest daughter of the late E. J. TUCKER, Bank of Ireland, Bandon, and Mrs. TUCKER, Harbour View, Co. Cork. No cards.

GRENE AND RYAN—January 12, 1916, at St. Ailbe's Church, Emly, by the Very Rev. Monsignor Ryan, V.G., NICHOLAS J. GRENE, Grene Park, Dundrum, Co. Tipperary, eldest son of the late James Grene, of Cappamurra, to MARY GRACE, third daughter of CLEMENT J. RYAN, Esq., Emly House, Emly, Co. Tipperary.

KEOGH AND M'ARDLE—January 12, 1916, at the Pro-Cathedral, Marlborough street, by Rev. J. M'Ardle, C.C., brother of the bride (with Nuptial Mass and Papal Blessing), assisted by Very Rev. R. Bowden, Adm., Rev. F. Farrington, C.C., and Rev. P. Hayden, C.C.—P. J. KEOGH, M.B., 19 Lower Fitzwilliam street, Dublin, second son of the late John P. Keogh, J.P., and Mrs. Keogh, St. Adrian's, Sutton, Co. Dublin, to MAY, only daughter of PATRICK M'ARDLE, J.P., and Mrs. M'ARDLE, 155 North Circular road, Dublin.

RAIT KERR AND METCALFE—January 12, 1916, at St. Ann's Church, Dublin, by Rev. Canon Follis, Rector of Carbury, temporary Chaplain to H.M. Forces, assisted by Rev. W. Chamberlain, Captain ROWAN RAIT KERR, son of Sylvester Rait Kerr, Rathmoyle, King's County, to HELEN MARGARET, daughter of FRANCIS METCALFE, Metcalfe Park, County Kildare.

SMYTH AND SEXTON—January 10, 1916, at St. Patrick's Church, Monkstown, by the Rev. P. Dunne, C.C., JAMES L., twin son of JAMES SMYTH, Esq., U.D.C., P.L.G., Lower George's street, Kingstown, to JOHANNA (SUSIE), only daughter of the late ROBERT SEXTON, and grandniece of Thomas Sexton, Esq., York road, Kingstown.

WOOD AND HAWKES—January 12, 1916, at St. John's, Westminster, by the Rev. Arthur H. C. Edlin, Chaplain to the Forces and to the Queen Alexandra Military Hospital, Westminster, GEORGE HAROLD WOOD, Lieutenant R.A.M.C., second son of George W. Wood and Mrs. Wood, 35 Upper Leeson street, Dublin, to MAUREEN, younger daughter of J. GIBSON'S HAWKES and the late Mrs. HAWKES, Hospital, Co. Limerick.

DEATHS.

ABBOT-ANDERSON—January 1, 1916, at Cairo, Egypt, Lieutenant-Colonel F. W. ABBOT-ANDERSON, King's Own Regiment.

BAVERY—January 15, 1916, at Grenagh, Blackrock, CATHERINE JANE, widow of the late JOHN WEST BAVERY, in her 82nd year. Funeral strictly private. No flowers, by request.

GEORGE—January 16, 1916, at Breffni, Dalkey (the residence of her son-in-law, Alexander Nesbitt), ELIZA GEORGE, aged 80 years. "Faithful unto death." Funeral private.

HUTCHINSON—January 16, 1916, at North street, New Ross, MARGARET FRANCES, dearly-loved wife of the late MATTHEW HUTCHINSON. Requiem Mass and Office to-morrow (Tuesday) 11 o'clock, at the Parish Church. Funeral immediately after to the Augustinian Cemetery. R.I.P.

O'NEILL—January 16, 1916, at Castle street, Roscommon, KATE, widow of the late JOSEPH O'NEILL. Solemn Requiem Mass at Sacred Heart Church to-morrow (Tuesday), 11 o'clock. Funeral to New Cemetery at 2 o'clock. R.I.P. No flowers, by request.

ORR—January 14, 1916, at her residence, The Croft, Camberley, Surrey, in her 86th year, SOPHIE PERCY, widow of the late WILLIAM ECCLES ORR, C.E., of Londonderry, Ireland. R.I.P.

PERRIN—January 14, 1916, at the Adelaide Hospital, JOHN, only surviving son of the late WILLIAM PERRIN, of this city. Funeral to-morrow (Tuesday) at 9 o'clock sharp.

SMARTT—January 15, 1916, at Cawston Manor, Norwich, the result of an accident, WILLIAM FRANCIS, Captain R.A.M.C., second son of FRANCIS WILLIAM SMARTT, M.D., J.P., 38 Leinster road, Dublin.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

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LOST, Blue and Gold Bracelet, coin attached; reward. Woodmore, 24 Earlsfort terrace. D

LOST in Rathmines, about 4 o'clock on Wednesday, four Notes, £1 each; reward.—R O 807, Irish Times Office, Rathmines.

LOST, small Yorkshire Terrier, grey body, tan legs, with green collar, neighbourhood Townsend street. If brought to Westmorland Lock Hospital, rewarded. F

LOST, a White West Highland bitch, near Ranelagh Railway Station. Reward at 35 Belgrave road. 5 15

LOST, Purse Handbag, Thursday, Stillorgan road, half mile beyond tram, Black Marie, shabby. Communicate Mrs. Kennedy, 1 Belgrave terrace, Bray.

LOST, on Saturday, motoring, between Stillorgan and Greystones, Grey Raccoon Muff; reward.—31 Merrion square.

LOST, Gold Curb Bangle, initials D.P.C.S. Address "Z 5681, Lost," this office. A

LOST, coming out of Market, one Sheep, black face, with horns.—O'Neill and Son, Chatham st.

LOST, Sunday, 16th, between Vincent's Hospital and University Church, a Gold Curb Chain Bracelet. Finder rewarded applying to St. Mary's Home, Leeson place.

LOST, on Sunday, vicinity Harcourt st., Stephen's Green, Grafton st., and to North side, Pince-nez, with Chain attached; reward 5/-.—W 748, this office.

LOST, on Saturday evening, the 15th inst., in Dalkey tram, or between Ailesbury road, Sydney Parade avenue, and the Strand, a Pocket Book containing a sum of money. Finder will please leave at Station Master's Office, Sydney Parade, or reply W 760, this office; reward.

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WANTED, Man to pack and attend to Boiler. Apply 35 James's st. E

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WANTED, a capable Charge Hand for our Hardware and Timber Department. Send copy of testimonials and lowest salary (indoor), J. and J. McCabe, Monaghan.

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LEGAL.

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LAW Clerk—Wanted, in Solicitor's office, intelligent, [illegible] with experience of Court and [illegible].—W 735, this office. T

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SOLICITOR and Land Agent in the Midlands requires an Assistant, capable of [illegible] and [illegible] through the Land Commission, [illegible] to "W 5103," [illegible], this office.

SOLICITOR'S Assistant open to engagement; thorough knowledge Court and Office work.—W 730, this office. E

WANTED, intelligent Lad, over 16, for Solicitor's Office.—W 421, this office. 12

WANTED, to learn the business of solicitor's office, intelligent Boy, over 15; salary 5/-.—W 710, this office. F

YOUNG Solicitor of experience seeks position as Assistant in provincial town.—W 49, this office. E

MEDICAL.

APPRENTICE Wanted by Pharmaceutical Chemist, South; fee required; send full particulars first letter. Address "Z 5545, Apprentice," this office. D

ASSISTANT Wanted for Pharmaceutical Chemist, [illegible], North side, until February 22nd; state usual particulars.—W 681, this office. A

ASSISTANT and Junior Wanted, indoor; Country House; [illegible]. Address "Z 5650, Assistant," this office. F

AN Assistant required for first class city Pharmacy, [illegible] 248, Irish Times Office. E

CHEMIST wants Assistant (indoor); state salary expected, and when disengaged. Address "Z 5649, Assistant," this office. A

ENERGETIC Manager required; [illegible]; opportunity partnership if desired; state terms indoor. Address "Z 5651, Manager," this office. E

FOR Sale, county Medical Hall; [illegible]. Address "Z 5[illegible], Hall," this office. A

LADY Chemist (P.D.) Wanted [illegible]. Address "Z 5702, Chemist," this office. F

MANAGER required for [illegible].—W 667, this office. F

PHARMACEUTICAL Chemist, [illegible] manager, [illegible], Irish Times Branch Office, [illegible].

PHARMACEUTICAL Chemist and Apothecary, [illegible]. Address "Z 5589," this office. D

PHARMACEUTICAL Licence, Jan. 1916, 8 [illegible]. Apply 64 South Frederick st., Dublin.

WANTED, Chemist's Apprentice (Protestant), country town; [illegible]. Address "Z 5578, Apprentice," this office. A

WANTED, Assistant for Dublin Pharmacy; good experience; [illegible] references required.—W [illegible], this office. D

YOUNG Man, with 2 years' first class dispensing and [illegible], seeks position as Junior Assistant.—W 595, this office. D

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

ADVERTISEMENTS [illegible] situations Vacant. T

A [illegible]. A

A WIDOW Lady, Protestant, desires post as Matron, [illegible]; highest references. Address "Z 5562, Widow," this office. A

A LADY [illegible] would like to help lady with [illegible].—W 654, this office.

A LADY [illegible] as Librarian, [illegible], Irish Times Office, Kingstown. A

BOOKKEEPER—[illegible] Man, highest references, seeks position.—W 474, this office. D

DESPATCH Clerk, Marine Stores, or similar occupation; [illegible] satisfactory reference (military service).—W 475, this office. D

DRAPERY—Young Man seeks situation as [illegible]. D

EXPERIENCED Shorthand Typist, Bookkeeper, desires [illegible]. Address "Z 5538, Typist," this office. D

EXPERIENCED Picture Pianist (lady) desires engagement [illegible].—W 764, this office.

HOTEL Waitress, [illegible], wishes situation; good references.—W [illegible], this office. E

HOTEL Manageress or Housekeeper; [illegible] capable of full control; excellent references.—W 694, this office. P

HIGHLY educated young Lady seeks post; [illegible].—W 711, this office. A

JUNIOR Assistant, presently employed, wishes post in Grocery and Bar; well recommended, South side.—W 540, this office.

LADY, [illegible], position Housekeeper, neighbourhood Dublin, Belfast, Protestant. Address [illegible].

LADY [illegible], Mothers' Help or Housekeeper; can do all [illegible]. Address "Z 5613, Help," this office. [illegible]

LADY [illegible]; Protestant; [illegible].

LADY, [illegible], seeks position as Housekeeper [illegible].

LADY [illegible] Typist, Bookkeeper, [illegible].—W 555, this office.

LADY Housekeeper [illegible]; Mrs. Hunter, [illegible], Armagh. A

LADY Protestant desires post Companion, or Companion Help [illegible]; references. [illegible]

LADY [illegible] Typist and Bookkeeper. [illegible]. Address "Z 5650, Typist," this office.

M[illegible]

MOTHER'S Help, [illegible]

MOTHER'S Help, [illegible]

N[illegible]—W 509, this office.

OFFICE [illegible]

P[illegible]—W 507, this office.

R. I. C. PENSIONER wishes employment as Clerk, [illegible].—W 642, this office.

SMART Protestant [illegible].—W 4[illegible], this office.

USEFUL [illegible].—W 554, this office.

W[illegible]

WANTED, [illegible] sewing, weekly.—Y 14, Irish Times Office, Kingstown. E

YOUNG Lady, I.C., wishes re-engagement as [illegible]. Address [illegible]. E

YOUNG Lady, [illegible] Management; office, bar, [illegible].

YOUNG Man, [illegible]. Address [illegible]. E

YOUNG Lady, [illegible]. Address "Z 5106," this office.

MALE SERVANTS WANTED.

CHAUFFEURS Wanted and Disengaged—For these announcements see Special Heading under Motor Matters, Page 2.

FARM Labourer, honest, sober, willing, married, small family; house on estate. Apply Secretary, Leopardstown Club, Foxrock, Co. Dublin. D

FARM Labourer Wanted, able to milk, with Boy also for farm work, other members of family could get employment. Apply R. Ewing, Ltd., Castle Market, Belfast. A

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GAMEKEEPER—Wanted, County Wicklow, active Man, [illegible]; trapping rabbits; state age, wages, and if wife willing attend lodge gate. Send copies discharges to "Z 5659, Gamekeeper," this office. A

HERD Ploughman Wanted, R.C., with help preferred, [illegible].—T. P. Brennan, Ennis, Fenitt, Roscommon. 5 13

HANDY Man, Protestant, with knowledge of farm, gardening, Wanted, gentleman's place, Co. Cork; cottage, coal, milk, potatoes, 14/- weekly; suit man with family. Address "Z 5617, Handy Man," this office.

HANDY Man, Protestant, with knowledge of farm work and machinery, Wanted, gentleman's place, Co. Cork; cottage, coal, milk, potatoes, 14/- weekly; suit man with family. Address "Z 5618, Handy Man," this office.

HERD Groom Wanted, R.C.; must have a good knowledge of feeding mares and blood stock; constant employment to suitable man, with house and good wages, small or no family preferred. Apply, by letter, with copies of testimonials, to "Z 5674, Groom," this office.

MAN Wanted, cows, garden, generally useful; T.T., indoor; passage paid; two Irishmen kept.—Rector, Combeferry, Taunton. F

PAGE Boy Wanted, smart, clean Lad; leaving school preferred. Apply Manager, Hotel Metropole, Dublin.

REQUIRED for country place, thoroughly trained Butler Valet; must be recommended. Apply, stating terms, Mrs. Morton Jackson, Powerstown Park, Clonmel.

REQUIRED, steady, industrious General Man (single), cows, garden, etc.—Rector, Littleton, Thurles. A

RATHMINES—Advertisements for this Paper can be handed in at our Branch Office, Castlewood avenue, up to 7.30 p.m. daily (Sundays excepted) in time for insertion in following day's Paper. T

TRAPPERS Wanted; plenty work for good men.—Cooney, 1 Clare st., Dublin.

WANTED, two Men, to milk; good wages given to suitable persons.—W 514, this office. 5 13

WANTED, Man for Southern country town, understanding motor, small garden, cleaner, [illegible], generally useful. Address "Z 5581, Man," this office. D

HORSES.

SEWELL'S. Wires—Sewell's, Dublin. [illegible] AUCTION [illegible] THURSDAY [illegible] HUNTERS, HARNESS, CARRIAGES, [illegible] SALE [illegible]. Forms on [illegible]. [illegible] MISSIONS SINCE [illegible] CLASSES DAY [illegible].

J. S. D[illegible] AUCTION REPOSITORY [illegible] (THURSDAY), JANUARY 27th [illegible]

GOODBODY'S C[illegible]teed pure, clean, Bran, Baled and Cut. Dublin Offices and [illegible], Tullamore.

MALE SERVANTS [illegible]

WANTED, for Farm, [illegible], with two of [illegible], this office.

WANTED, for North [illegible] Protestant; general [illegible] Coachman," this office.

WANTED, Pensioner [illegible] Ranger in lonely [illegible] use of 20 acres, [illegible] "Z 5714, Pe[illegible]"

STEWARDS AND [illegible]

GARDEN Improver Wanted, [illegible] bothy, etc.—H. Hume, Gort, Co. Galway.

GARDEN Labourer, with [illegible] particulars; lodge, [illegible] Ballinure, Rathdrum, [illegible]

GARDENER Wanted; [illegible] wages, 22/- per week, [illegible] Address "Z 5705, Gardener"

WORKING Gardener, [illegible] live in gate lodge, [illegible]. Apply Irvine, [illegible]

WANTED, Plain Gardener, [illegible] self useful about [illegible] grass, etc.; married; [illegible] "Z 5553, Gardener"

WANTED, a good W[illegible] milk, etc.—Hawker's [illegible]

MALE S[illegible] DISEN[illegible]

BUTLER (single-handed) [illegible]. Apply Butler, [illegible], Cork.

GROOM Coachman [illegible] recommended. [illegible]

GROOM General Man [illegible] drive double, [illegible] R.C. Address "Z [illegible]"

GENERAL Man seeks [illegible] motor, etc. [illegible]

GROOM Coachman [illegible] class driver, [illegible] I. K., care R. M'Mullen, [illegible]

HERD or Caretaker [illegible] understands sheep, [illegible] terms to Charles J. [illegible]

HEAD Waiter desires [illegible] first class hotel; [illegible] "Z 5644, [illegible]"

MOTOR Mechanic [illegible] announcements [illegible] Matters, Page 2.

MARRIED Man requires [illegible] Man; good milker, [illegible] incumbrance; [illegible] W 512, this office.

PLOUGHMAN [illegible] highest reference [illegible] man," this office.

RABBIT Trapper—Wanted [illegible] Heathburn Hall, Riverstown [illegible]

RABBIT Trapper, first [illegible] of season, with or without [illegible] Trapper," this office.

SITUATION Wanted, [illegible] married man; [illegible] and cattle; [illegible] Co. Walsh and [illegible]

YOUNG Man [illegible] make himself [illegible] Motor Driver [illegible]

STEWARDS AND [illegible]

ALL Round Gardener, [illegible] engagement. Address [illegible]

FOREMAN Gardener, [illegible] experience, excellent [illegible] "Z 5660, Gardener," [illegible]

GOOD Plain Working [illegible] married, one child, [illegible] rath, Mulhuddart, Co. [illegible]

GARDENER, single, [illegible] work, vines, [illegible]

GARDENER [illegible]

GOOD [illegible]

L[illegible]

L[illegible] "Z 5712, [illegible]"

[illegible] YARD and Gardener [illegible] ing; no family; wife dairy, [illegible]

DOMESTICS WA[illegible]

MATRON has good vacancies for COOKS, COOK-GENERALS, HOUSE PARLOURMAIDS, KITCHENMAIDS, [illegible]. Registry Office, [illegible]. Advertisement, No [illegible]. REGISTRY, 30 WESTMORELAND [illegible]

AUSTRALIA—Girls Wanted; [illegible] Government Agent, [illegible] Dublin.

A RESPECTABLE country Girl Wanted, [illegible]; good Girl. Address W 495, [illegible]

A [illegible] Young Cooks, H'maids, P[illegible] £25; Generals—Mrs. McDonnell's, [illegible]

A [illegible] Cooks, Parlourmaids, [illegible], Bolingbroke Todd, 5 [illegible]

EXPERIENCED Cooks and Parlourmaids [illegible] Mrs. Ellsworth, Select [illegible] Mount st., Mullingar.

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GREAT demand for good Servants.—[illegible] The Original Office, Baker, Annesley [illegible]

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RANELAGH—Advertisements [illegible] Prepaid for "Irish Times" can be handed in at Messrs. [illegible] up to 5 p.m. [illegible] day's Paper.

STAFFMAIDS, also Laundry Worker Wanted, [illegible] Royal Hibernian Hotel, Dawson st.

WANTED, a young Servant for [illegible] family and only, [illegible]. Apply, between the hours of 4.30 p.m., upon this next Sunday [illegible]

WORKING Housekeeper Wanted by [illegible] Gentleman's place [illegible]

WORKING Help Wanted, I.C., [illegible] family, two, £15.—Bessbrook [illegible]

WANTED, Working Housekeeper or [illegible] country; respectable [illegible] Drumcree [illegible]

WANTED, neat, respectable, little [illegible] wages £1. Apply 101 Phib[illegible]

WANTED, Sewing Maid, with some [illegible] Protestant; [illegible] Apply to Wm. Fitz[illegible]

WORKING Housekeeper Wanted by [illegible] cows, [illegible] and wages expected. Address [illegible]

WANTED, respectable, steady Girl, [illegible] wages £12 to £14 [illegible]

WANTED, Cooks, Nurses, and several [illegible] Upper George's st., Kingstown.

WANTED, superior General Maid, [illegible] attend lady; general [illegible] "Z 5[illegible]4, this office.

WANTED, strong Between-maid for [illegible] Lee Plewitt, 9 Grattan st.

COOKS AND DAIRYMAIDS.

A GOOD Cook Wanted, young, [illegible] servant kept; every small [illegible] —514 Irish Times Office, [illegible]

A STEADY Cook General required, [illegible] private family; [illegible] good home to suitable person; country girl [illegible] "Z 5608, Cook," this office.

COOK General Wanted; state age, [illegible] wages required; give references; [illegible] kept.—E. B. Bagot, 5 Alb[illegible] Dalkey.

COOK Wanted early January, for [illegible] West of England; experienced; [illegible] wages if well recommended. [illegible] "Cook," this office.

COOK Good Wanted, Co. Galway; [illegible] Cook. [illegible], religion. Send [illegible] "Z 5588, Cook," this office.

CAN Lady recommend good, [illegible] Cook, under 40, early February; [illegible] small dairy; [illegible] £26; [illegible] "Z 5595, Cook," this office.

COOK General or House Parlourmaid [illegible] accompany family. Apply by [illegible] House, Malahide.

COOK General and House Parlourmaid, [illegible]; no children; no [illegible] Dartmouth Park Hill, London, N.W.

COOK General and House [illegible] active, early riser; must be [illegible] country place; small family; £16 [illegible] "Z 5669, Cook," this office.

COOK Wanted, R.C.; experienced [illegible] hotel, country. [illegible] "Cook," this office.

COOK General, R.C., age 25, [illegible] country work. Wanted for [illegible] tourmall kept; family 2; refer [illegible] Hall W[illegible]thwaite, Eskdale, [illegible]

STRONG Girl, Cook General. [illegible]

WANTED, very good Cook, [illegible] daily time; references. [illegible]

WANTED, good [illegible] £20; small family, 2 [illegible] date. Address "Z 5652, [illegible]"

WANTED, for Glasnevin, [illegible] wages expected.—[illegible], this office.

DOMESTICS WANTED [illegible] PAGE 8, CO[illegible]

...R MATT... CARS. ...COUPE ... 11·9 h.p. Self-Starter ... BURK... ...ECIAL CHASSIS ... guaranteed 50,000 ... Price £640 ... BRITAIN. ...T, DUBLIN ... body, £200; delivery from ... Milkmen, Drapers ... TO DAY ... THEATRE RO... ...CAR CO. LTD. BELFAST ... DUBLIN C... MAT... LISMORE AND ... MOTOR

BICYCLES, &c.

MOTORS CONTINUED.

16/20 SUNBEAM, C.A.V. lighting, not run 6,000 miles, not used since August, 1914; examined and certified by makers August, 1914; cost over £700, accept £525, or near offer; privately owned; beautifully kept, like new. Full particulars, Thompson's Garage, Mallow. 5 15

16/20 SUNBEAM Chassis, 20 h.p. Talbot Chassis; both suitable for light delivery vans. Particulars, Dublin Motor Co., Ltd. A

1909 MODEL 15 h.p. Straker Squire Landaulette, to seat 4 inside, detachable rims, five lamps; very suitable hiring car; price £150.—W 731, this office. A

1915 TWO Strokes for Sale; two speed gear, Palmer tyres; bargain to immediate purchaser. Address "Z 5085, Motor," this office. A

1916 OVERLAND, Model 83, four seater; mileage 2,000 only; bargain, £220; any trial or inspection, Dublin; good reason for selling.—W 537, this office. D

BODIES.

WANTED, new Body, complete, for 1915 Ford Touring Car. Address "Z 5604, Body," this office. 10 15

WANTED, Four Seater Touring Body for Chassis, 7 feet 6in. from dash to back, wheel track 4 feet 1 in. Give full particulars, B. S. Given, Monaghan.

MOTOR CYCLES.

A 1—WHY Wait? We can deliver from stock 3½ h.p. "Sunbeams"; 5, also 7/9 Indians; 4, also 7/9 Harley-Davidson, 3½ Lea-Francis, 3 Enfield, 2½ Levis, 2½ Sparkbrooks, 2½ Ixion, 2½ New Imperial Jap. Call to see them at Wayte Bros., Lemon st., off Grafton st. 'Phone, 1597. T

AT WALLEN'S GARAGE. DELIVERY FROM STOCK. A.J.S., TRIUMPH, DOUGLAS, ROVER, INDIAN, A.M. EXCELSIOR, and O.K. MODELS. 11 AND 12 ST. ANDREW STREET, AND TRINITY ST. GARAGE, DUBLIN.

AT Woods', Westland Row—Bargains in Secondhand Motor Cycles. D

ADVANCES ON Motor Bikes, Cars, Jewels—Gorman, Pawnbroker, Winetavern st., opposite Four Courts, under Christ Church; superior new garage, write or call. Established 1820. T

AUTO Accessories Co., 2 Bachelor's Walk, have the following Secondhand Motor Cycles for Sale—7/9 Indian, late 1914, speedometer, electric lamps, and horn, £54; 7/9 Indian and Sidecar, lamp, horn, speedometer, £45; 3½ Rudge Multi and Sidecar, £35; 3½ "B.S.A." and Sidecar, £34; 3½ Rudge, 2 speed, Brooklands model, lamp and horn, £30; 3½ Rover, lamp, horn, speedometer, £30; 6 Twin Rex and Sidecar, lamp, speedometer, £33; 2½ Sun-Vitesse, 1915, 2 speed and free engine, lamp, horn, speedometer, £37; 2 Imperial Jap, 2 speed, 1915, £32; 2 "O.K." 2 speed, late 1915, lamp, horn, £29; 3½ Ariel, 1915, lamp, horn, £35; 3½ Triumph, free engine and Philipson pulley, and Sidecar, lamp, horn, £24; 3½ Triumph, "T.T." model, £17; 3 Twin Royal Enfield, late 1914, 2 speed, lamp, horn, £39; 2¼ Twin Royal Enfield, 2 speed, lamp, horn, £24; 2¼ Twin Royal Enfield, Khaki model, £18; 2¼ Peugeot, £5 10s.; 2½ "F.N." All on view and in good running order. D

F.N. Motor Cycle, shaft drive, magneto, 2 speed, free engine, handle bar controlled clutch, tyres new, £12 12s.—Campion's, 26 Bachelor's Walk. E

FOR Sale, 7/9 H.P. Indian (late 1912) and Mills-Fulford Sidecar, complete, with all accessories, and Jones speedometer; used very little, and in perfect running order; property of F. J. O'Donoghue, Ballinahown Court, Athlone.

MANY BARGAINS in Secondhand Motor Bicycles at Wayte Bros., Lemon st., off Grafton st. T

NEW Hudson Light Weight, late 1915, splendid condition, 20 guineas.—Thompson's Garage, Great Brunswick st. F

SINGER, 2½, 2 speeds, free engine, lamp, horn; £21.—Evans' Depot, Lincoln place. 6 11

WANTED.

£10 TO £80 Advanced on Motor Cycles, or Purchased for cash at Keith's, Fleet st. T

MOTOR LORRIES & VANS.

MOTOR Traction—Two 4 Ton Motor Lorries for Hire. 32 Moss st. 78 7

WANTED.

WANTED, Secondhand one Ton Motor Lorry, in good order; state how long working, maker, horse power, price, which must be reasonable. Address "Z 5709, Lorry," this office. A

BICYCLES.

A 1" LARGEST Stock of high class Cycles; no advance in prices Sunbeams, Lea Francis, Sparkbrook, B.S.A., Swifts, Raleighs, Glorias, liberal allowance for old cycles in part payment, deferred payments arranged. Call, write, or 'phone, Wayte Bros., Lemon st., off Grafton st. T

AT Fitzgerald's Factory, 56 Rathmines road—Ladies' and Gents' Raleighs, Rovers, Swifts, Humbers, Frankfort, and Triumph, Secondhand Cycles, from £2 to £5 10s.; terms from 8/- monthly. Open till 9 p.m. 11

AT £6 10s. each, Gents' Rover, Raleigh, and Frankfort, 3 speed, oil bath, little used; payable £1 deposit, 10/- monthly—Fitzgerald, 128 Stephen's Green. 6 11

AT £4 10s., Ladies' Humber, Swift, Enfield, Raleigh, and Frankfort, Secondhand Cycles, payable £1 deposit, 10/- monthly—Fitzgerald, 128 Stephen's Green. 6 11

AGENT for Rover and Triumph Cycles—Stevens' Cycle Depot, 8 Aston's quay, Dublin. T

FOR Sale, almost new, Dunwall Bathan Invalid Bath Chair, hand propelled, with free wheel—B. Cooke and Son, 32 Grand Parade, Cork. D

ROYAL Frankfort Cycles from £3 9s. to £12 12s.; terms from 10/- monthly. Faraday Cycles, £7 7s.; payable 8/- monthly.—Fitzgerald, 128 Stephen's Green.

WANTED.

BIKES Bought at Kelly's, 48 Fleet st. (Back of Bank). A

CHAUFFEURS, ETC., CONTD

DISENGAGED.

CHAUFFEUR, disengaged end of month, good, careful driver, married R.C., well recommended. Address "Z 6523, Chauffeur," this office. 5 15

CHAUFFEUR—Active Man, make himself generally useful; understands machinery; good references, recommendations; T.T., R.C.—J. S., 11 Leinster st., Dublin.

CHAUFFEUR Mechanic; two years' experience, careful driver, strict T.T., age 22.—W 754, this office.

CHAUFFEUR (mechanic), married, one child; garage repairs; smart appearance and thoroughly respectable; in service in Dublin. Address "Z 5707, Chauffeur," this office.

WANTED, by married Man, situation as Motor driver; careful driver—Mossop, Normanby Lodge, Kingstown.

(FOR OTHER ADVERTISEMENTS SEE PAGES 1 AND 8.)

SALE Skirts

As this Illustration.

Ladies' Soft Moire Poplin Underskirts, wide style, full flounce, finely tucked and finished, with accordeon pleated frill. Sale Price, **5/11 each.**

7/6 Combinations. Ladies' Natural Wool Combinations, long sleeves, heavy weight. Worth 7/6. Sale Price **4/6½**

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4/11 Wool Suitings. Nice medium weight, All-wool Suiting, 54 inches wide, in good shades of Grey, Mole, Purple, Saxe. Sale Price **3/6**

5/11 Diagonal Serge. A superior All-wool Fabric, throughly shrunk and fast dye, 54 inches wide, in Tan, Mole, Saxe, Purple and Beetroot. Sale Price **3/9**

1/11 Art Silk Stockings. Very exceptional lot of perfectly made Ladies' Hose, all artificial Silk, with 4 inch lisle tops, perfectly seamless. Extraordinary value at the pair **1/4½**

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Hundreds of China and Glass Bargains. See Our Windows.

McGUIRE'S, 2 and 3 MERRION ROW (adjoining Stephen's Green), DUBLIN.

SHELBOURNE HOUSE.

ROTUNDA HOSPITAL.

A quarterly meeting of the Board of Governors of the Rotunda Hospital was held on Friday, 14th inst. Sir William J. Goulding, Bart., D.L., presided, there being also present—Dr. James Little, consulting physician to the hospital; Mr. William Perrin, Sir Stewart Woodhouse, M.D.; Serjeant Matheson, K.C.; Dr. T. Percy C. Kirkpatrick, M.R.I.A.; Dr. E. Hastings Tweedy, Dr. R. Dancer Purefoy, Mr. H. S. Guinness, and Mr. R. Grant Pilkington. The minutes of the December Board meeting and of a meeting of the House Committee were read. Letters regretting their inability to be present were received from Sir Algernon Coote, H.M.L., and the Dean of St. Patrick's. Cheques were signed amounting to £1,803 9s. 11d. in discharge of accounts for the quarter ended 31st December, as passed by the House Committee. A letter was read from Messrs. Hone and Falkiner, enclosing a cheque for £158, being a further sum on account of the bequest of the late Mr. John Murray. It was proposed by Dr. Little, seconded by Dr. Purefoy, and carried unanimously:—"That the vacancy in the post of consulting surgeon be filled by the appointment of Mr. Thomas E. Gordon, Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons." After transacting routine business, the Board adjourned.

DUBLIN PRISON GATE MISSION.

The monthly meeting was held at Blackhall place on Friday last, 14th inst. There were present—Rev. L. J. Yeates, B.D. (in the chair), Miss Edmondson, Miss Fausset, Mrs. Robert Morgan, Mrs. Moore, Miss Pakeham, Miss Robinson, Miss Whisker, William Hayes, Esq.; and Rev. J. Haythornthwaite, M.A. The Secretary was in attendance. The proceedings having been opened with prayer, the minutes were read, and the receipts and payments examined and passed. The financial statement was submitted as follows:—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Overdraft last statement				855	15	2
Receipts—						
Laundry earnings	99	8	5			
Workroom earnings	28	9	3			
Subscriptions, etc.	162	11	0			
Sale of work, part of	35	18	0			
Interest on investments	7	19	1			
				334	5	9
				521	7	5
Payments—						
Accounts	131	11	2			
Interest on overdraft	6	11	6			
				138	2	8
Bank account overdrawn				659	10	1

This sum does not include £97 already paid for the current year's expenses. The numbers in the Mission were: In the laundry, 66; in the Workroom, 14; at other work, 6; total, 86. Of these, 60 slept in the dormitories, and there were 12 children in the Creche.

It was resolved that the accounts for last year be closed on the 31st inst. Subscribers and collectors who have not yet sent in their contributions are asked kindly to send them in not later than the 30th inst., as otherwise they will be late for the forthcoming report for 1915. Preliminary arrangements were made for the annual meeting, to be held (D.V.) towards the end of March.

The subscriptions received, and hereby gratefully acknowledged, were—Gustavus R. Hyde, Esq., D.L., £1; General Rice, "In Memoriam" of his late sister, £20; the Misses Revington (donation), £5. Per Miss A. Gibson, £3 1/-, as follows:—Mrs. Walker, 10/-; Miss Cowan and Miss Booth, 10/-; Rev. J. Sandys Bird, M.A., 10/-; Miss A. Gibson, 10/-; smaller sums, £1 1/-. Per Miss A. de Botts, sale of art calendars, 8/-. Per Mrs. Gillespie, Clonfara Rectory, £5 15/-, as follows:—Mrs. Leahey, £1; Mrs. Falkiner, 10/-; T. O. Read, Esq., 10/-; S. G. Parker-Hutchinson, Esq., 10/-; Mrs. Gillespie, 10/-; smaller sums, 15/-. Per Miss M'Mahon (collection), £2 17/-. Per Miss A. Barton (collection), 14/-. Per Mrs. J. Hamilton Reid, £18, as follows—Messrs. Andrews and Co., 10/-; Fiscal Reform, £2 2/-; H. Greer, Esq., 10/-; Mrs. Ormsby Hamilton, £5; "In Memoriam," Rev. J. Lynch, £1 1/-; "In Memoriam," S. Walkington, £2; Basil Orpen, Esq., £2; A. Hamilton Reid, £4; smaller sums, 17/-. Per Mrs. Tissington W. G. Tatlow, £18 9/6, as follows:—Miss Frazer, 10/-; Miss Seeds, 10/-; Miss Tatlow, 10/-; Miss Walsh, 10/-; Mrs. Collins, £1; Mrs. Smith, £1; Miss Tudor, £1 1/-; J. G. Tatlow, Esq., £2; Mr. and Mrs. Tissington Tatlow, £8; smaller sums, £3 8/6. Per Mrs. Drummond, the late Miss Rice's collection, £3 10/-, as follows:—H. W. Potterton, Esq., £12; Miss A. F. Deans, 10/-; Thomas Coulter, Esq., £1; Mrs. Macgregor, £1; Miss Stubbs, 10/-; Miss A. Conlin, 10/-; Miss Clarke, £1; Mrs. Heather, £1; H. Scale, Esq., £1; Mrs. Cowen, 10/-; Miss Casey (subscription and donation), £2; Miss Leech (collection), £2 10/-. Per Miss Lucy Harden, £4, as follows:—Mr. and Mrs. Richard Goodbody, £2; J. Perry Goodbody, Esq., £1; Robert Goodbody, Esq., £1. Per Miss E. C. Johnston, £8 1/-, as follows:—Miss E. F. Johnson, 10/-; St. George Johnston, Esq., 10/-; Mrs. Johnston, 10/-; E. C. Johnston, £5; smaller sums, £1 11/-. Per Miss E. Edmundson, £10 1/-, as follows:—Mr. and Mrs. William Perrin, £1 1/-; Thomas Edmundson (Trust), £1; Mrs. Norman E. Allen, 10/-; Mrs. Samuel Allen, 10/-; Miss Ringwood, £1; F. W. Pim, Esq., 10/-; Mrs. Gavin Low, 10/-; J. R. Pearson, Esq., 10/-; Miss Wigham, £1; Miss R. M. Wigham, £1; J. T. Wigham, M.D., 10/-; the Misses Edmundson, £1; Mrs. Ernest Bewley, 10/-; smaller sums, 10/-. Per Miss Fausset, £5 7/6, as follows:—Mrs. Stewart, £1 10/-; Miss Norman, £1; Rev. Archdeacon and Mrs. Daunt, £1; Mrs. Jeffcott, £1; Miss Moses, 10/-; smaller sums, 7/6. Per Mrs. E. J. Eustace and Miss Pidgeon, £4 5/-, as follows:—A. and Mrs. Marrable, £3; Mrs. Ireland, £1; smaller sums, 5/-. Per William Hayes, Esq., £22 14/-, as follows:—The Misses Culverwell, £2; "X.Y.Z.," £1; Mr. and Mrs. W. Hayes, £1; Miss Crofton, 10/-; J. R. Murray, Esq., 10/-; Miss M. F. Johnston (collection), £8 17/6; Miss Marrable (collection), £1 15/-; Miss Bradshaw (collection), £1 14/-; the Misses Irwin (collection), £3 7/6. Per Miss H. Butler, £6 5/6, as follows:—Tea at Kingstown, £1 5/-; "J.N.H.," 10/-; C. Eason, £1; H. G. Allen, 10/-; Messrs. Brown, Thomas, and Co., 10/-; Messrs. A. J. Main and Co., 10/-; smaller sums, £2 2/6. Per Miss Robinson, £7 2/6, as follows:—Louis Bewley, Esq., 1/-; Miss Evans, £1; Mrs. Payle, £1; Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Goodbody, £1; Mrs. Jacob, 10/-; Mrs. Murray, 10/-; Edward Wakefield, Esq., £1; Messrs. Walpole Bros., £1; smaller sums, 12/6—making a total of £162 11/-, as above.

THE LAW COURTS.

(FROM THE LEGAL DIARY.)

LAW NOTICES—Monday, January 17, 1916.

SUPREME COURT OF JUDICATURE.

H.M. COURT OF APPEAL IN IRELAND.—For Hearing. Interlocutory Appeals—Joyce v. Brew, M.R., part heard; in re Martin Creagh, a bankrupt, K.B.D. (Bankruptcy); Sargent v. Bank of Ireland, K.B.D. Final Appeal—M. C. E. Fortescue's estate, Irish Land Commission.

HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE. CHANCERY DIVISION.

LORD CHANCELLOR.—In Lunacy. Before the Assistant Registrar, 11.30 o'clock—Vouch account, Crookshank, Leech, and Davies. Lord Chancellor's Chambers. Before the Chief Clerk, 11.30 o'clock—Reynolds, minors; O'Dwyer, minors; Moughty, minors; Hackett, minors. Before Mr. Murphy, at 12 o'clock—Dwyer, minors, vouch.

ROLLS.—In Chamber—Moorehead v. Kirkwood (1912—347); D. Collins, deceased, Monan v. Collins; J. Reilly, deceased, Reilly v. Lynch; P. M'Laughlin, deceased, M'Laughlin v. M'Laughlin; J. Irons, deceased, Robinson v. Irons; Attorney-General v. Dempsey; Chisholm v. Archer; R. M'Cutcheon, deceased, M'Cutcheon v. Ardill; J. Barrett, deceased, Barrett v. Forde; P. O'Reilly, deceased, M'Breen v. O'Reilly; National Bank v. Weir; J. P. Healy, deceased, Healy v. Oliver; Hibernian Bank v. Cody; W. Freeman, deceased, Freeman v. Freeman; P. Condra, deceased, Condra v. Condra; Hearn's trusts; R. Bourke, deceased, Bourke v. Bourke (Molony); same matter and cause (Barry). M'Grath v. Govers; Kelly v. Curran; Connor v. Redmond; O'Leary v. Hayes; Healy v. Foley; Tathe's trusts; Whelan v. Glenn; Sargent v. Stewart; Cawley v. Kerins; Adams v. Ronaldson; Kenrick v. Kenrick; Little v. Magill; Abraham v. Abraham; M'Grath v. O'Hara.

THE HON. MR. JUSTICE BARTON.—Petition—Belfast Corporation and Bell. Motions—Perry v. Jordan; Mayne v. Allen; Bank of Ireland v. Norwood; Tormey v. Kellett; Kehoe v. Lawler. At Chambers—Courts (Emergency Powers) Act, 1914—Shiels v. M'Kenna; Kenny, deceased, Kenny v. Kenny; Deegan, deceased, Keenan v. Deegan; Saul's trusts and Trustee Act; Ulster Bank, Ltd., v. Gallagher; M'Evoy, deceased, Hand v. Mackey; M'Encaney, deceased, Tomany v. Bennett; Turner, deceased, Smith v. O'Toole; Burke v. Henderson; M'Hugh v. Redmond; Walls, deceased, Streahorn v. Walls; Carey, deceased, Carey v. Carey; French v. Hodges; Doddy v. M'Eldowney; Brennan v. Carrick; Gilmore v. Brown. For Wednesday next, 19th January—Actions—Scallan v. Star Theatre; Moffett v. Moffett; Hamilton v. Hamilton. For Thursday, 20th January. Adjourned Summons—North, deceased, Armstrong v. Armstrong. This Day. The Hon. Mr. Justice Barton's Chambers, at 11 o'clock—M'Donnell v. Byrne; Coogan v. Dillon; Army, Navy, and General Assurance Association, Ltd., v. London and Lancashire Fire Insurance Co.; M'Sweeney v. M'Sweeney; M'Nulty v. M'Grath; Wright v. Wright; Crown v. Navagh; Parle v. Moran; Malcomson v. Strain; Flanagan v. Maxwell; Denny v. Nash. Before Mr. Webb, 11.30 o'clock—Dowd v. Lonergan, vouch account.

CONSOLIDATED TAXING OFFICE.—Master Kilbride, 11 o'clock. Exparte Taxations—Seeds v. Beck, Fisher and Fisher and Hamilton, Hunter Moore and Boyle; Roughan v. Garrahie, James Lynch; Macinerney v. Lynham, Dalton and Condell; Celbridge No. 2 R. D. Council to Brown, Brown and M'Cann; Naas No. 1 R. D. Council to Brown, Brown and M'Cann; Farrell to Scallan, J. L. Scallan and Co. Master Denning, 11 o'clock—Healy v. Oliver, Brown and M'Cann; Johns to Lisburn R. D. Council, Johns, Elliott, and Johns; a person of unsound mind, Wm. Fry and Sons. Board of Trade v. Fry, William Fry. Master Culhane, 11 o'clock—Eustace to M'Laughlin, F. G. Sharpe; Campbell and Co., Ltd.; Crookshank and Co.; Philips' estate, H. and W. Stanley; Farrelly v. Farrelly, O'Connor and Dudley; Gallagher v. M'Crabb, John Tracy; Reegan v. M'Clean, Moorhead and Wood; Dunlop v. Crossett, C. H. Chaytor; Callency, deceased, T. O'B. Kelly; Kissock and Vendor and Purchaser Act, W. F. Stewart; Brown's Apprenticeship Fund, H. S. Maffett; Athlone No. 2 R. D. Council to Kelly, Kelly and Fair.

LAND JUDGES.—Mr. May, Examiner—A. L. Tottenham; Edward Whelan, rental. Mr. Dick, Examiner. Land Commission Cases—Francis E. Atkinson, vouch; Stephen's estate (Bishop of Limerick's head rent), vouch; John T. Hornibrook, vouch; Elizabeth C. Taylor, ... [illegible] ... Land Commission Case ... Mr. Cruise. Land Commission Case—Kate Mason, vouch. Receiver Office. Mr. Foot, Examiner. 11.30 o'clock. Receiver's Accounts—George Andrew's estate, White, M'Millan, and Wheeler. Applications for Directions, 11 o'clock—Lockhart v. Hull, from 7th inst.; National Bank v. Somers, from 10th ult.

KING'S BENCH DIVISION.

In Court 1. Crown Side. Exparte Motions. Magistrates' Case—M'Neill, appellant, Carson and another, respondents. On Notice—In re Story, infants.

In Court 2. Exparte Motions at 11 o'clock. Summonses—Bailieborough R. D. Council v. Farrelly and others; Davies v. Ward; "Cork Free Press" v. Kelliher; British and Benningtons v. Waldron; Balfour and others v. M'Evoy; Town and County Advance Co., Ltd., v. Rourke and another; Morgan v. Moriarty; Flood v. Conway and others; Goodbody v. Carroll; Clery and Co. v. Mahon; Carr and Co., Ltd., v. Burke; D'Arcy and Co. v. M'Donnell; Stapleton v. Egan; M'Dermott (junior) v. Mahon and others; Davids v. M'Menamin; Ramshay and Marshall v. Prendergast; Foley and others v. Flynn and another; Walker v. Ulster Bank, Ltd. Motions on Notice—M'Nulty v. Martin; same v. same; Atkinson and Co. v. Clancy and Co.; M'Gauran v. O'Rorke; Hall, Ltd., v. Keane and another; Scully v. De Martelaere; Andrews v. same; Green v. Cooper. Adjourned Notices—Bergin v. Shanahan; Murphy v. Tomlinson.

PROBATE.—Before the Right Honourable Mr. Justice Madden. In the Probate Court, 11.30 o'clock. Motions. Exparte—In the goods of John O'Cormack, deceased; in the goods of Wm. G. Hagan, deceased; in the goods of Sophia Hobson, deceased; in the goods of Isaac Cornock, deceased. Summonses—Murphy v. M'Grath; Smyth v. Smyth; Montgomery v. Archdall; Donovan v. Stanley; Gibson v. Hancock; Ross v. Cormac. Motions on Notice—In the goods of Wm. M. Millar, deceased; in the goods of John White, deceased; in the goods of Mary Barry, deceased; in the goods of Wm. Woods. Matrimonial. Motion on Notice—Martin v. Martin.

HILARY SITTINGS FOR TRIALS BY JURY.—King's Bench Division. Before the Right Hon. Mr. Justice Kenny. In Nisi Prius Court No. 2, at 11 o'clock. City Special—McDermott v. Hawkins (negligence); Bryan v. Mathews (personal injuries). To be Mentioned—Tyrrell v. Tyrrell (probate). A very large attendance of unsworn city special jurors is required this morning in Nisi Prius Court No. 2 at 11 o'clock, as two Courts will be sitting concurrently trying city special jury cases. Absent jurors will be fined. Before the Right Hon. Mr. Justice Pim. In Nisi Prius Court No. 1, at 11 o'clock. City Special—Costello v. Pembroke U.D.C. (negligence), at hearing. The city special jurors sworn in the above case at hearing are required to attend this morning in Nisi Prius Court No. 1 at 11 o'clock. The city common jurors need not attend until to-morrow (Tuesday), January 18th. For to-morrow (Tuesday), 18th January. City Special—Kennedy v. Stillman (probate). City Common—Nolan v. Sullivan (probate). For Wednesday, 19th January, City Common—Spencer v. Kelly and Son (personal injuries); Durregan v. McDonald (personal injuries); King v. Kane and another (probate); O'Regan v. Hogan (probate). For Friday, 21st January. Non-Juries—Parker v. Parker (matrimonial), specially fixed; O'Hea v. O'Hea (matrimonial); Wells v. Browne and another (promissory note). For Tuesday, 25th January. City Special—Ulster Bank, Ltd., v. Reilly and another (money lent). City Common—Humphrey v. Deeny (personal injuries), specially fixed. For Wednesday, 26th January. City Special—Power v. M'Carthy (ejectment). Notice—Actions in the King's Bench Division, except probate and matrimonial cases set down for trial by a jury or by a judge without a jury, for any day after Tuesday, 29th February, will not appear in the list for trial during the Hilary Sittings unless special leave for that purpose shall be granted by the judge, for the time being, sitting in the Court for the trial of actions in the list in which the case is sought to be entered. Upon application for such special leave the reason (if any) why such action had not been set down at an earlier period must be stated, and such leave shall not be granted unless it appears to be reasonably probable that there will be sufficient time to have same tried during the sittings.—By Order, Francis Kennedy, Associate.

BANKRUPTCY.—Before the Chief Registrar or Chief Clerk, at 11 o'clock—Fitzsimons, account comp., J. H. Montgomery; Fitzsimons, prove debts, J. H. Montgomery; Kearns, vouch mortgagee account, W. H. Dunne; Kearns, costs, W. H. Dunne; arrangement, account comp., A. T. Ellis; Donagher, settle title and conditions of sale, Neilson and Son.

ADMIRALTY.—Exparte Motions.

LAND COMMISSION COURT.—Four Courts. Land Purchase Acts. Before the Right Hon. Mr. Justice Wylie, at 11 o'clock. Exparte Applications. In Chamber—Lorina E. Hunter, allocate; Henrietta Dopping, allocate; Richard Huggard, allocate; Isabella D. Tuckey and others, allocate; Elizabeth Bourchier and others, allocate; the Hon. Elizabeth G. Deane Morgan, allocate; Trustees Dr. Steevens' Charities, allocate; Jane Bell Wood Orr, allocate; Wm. Fras. Leader, allocate; Rev. John Sullivan, allocate; proceeds sale of holding of Thos. Quillan, allocate; Kate B. Caldwell, allocate; Peter O'Flanagan and another, allocate. In Court—Peregrine M. French, F.S.; Mary G. Church, F.S.; Sarah Smith and others, F.S.; Earl of Shaftesbury, F.S.; Wm. Blennerhassett; George A. Malley, motion. Land Purchase Acts. At the Examiners' Chambers, Dublin Castle. Before Mr. Jeffery White (Chamber No. 5), at 11.30 o'clock—R. and M. Kelly (E.C. 3563). Before Mr. Brady (Chamber No. 12), at 11 o'clock—Belford's tithes, vouch. At 12 o'clock—A. Burton (E.C. 5041) (Creagh's rent), vouch costs. Before Mr. Dixon (Chamber No. 4), at 11 o'clock—D. A. Boyton, vouch. Before Mr. J. G. Franks (Chamber No. 10), at 11 o'clock—Charles L. Bait and another, vouch. At 3 o'clock—J. W. G. Bond, vouch. Before Mr. Vaughan Hart (Chamber No. 6), at 3 o'clock—Emily O. Finlay (E.C. 5150), vouch.

BEFORE THE RIGHT HON. THE RECORDER, at 11 o'clock. Intoxicating Liquor (Temporary Restriction) Act, 1914—The Chief Commissioner of Police, applicant. County of Dublin. Licensing Applications—Byrne, Patrick; Bessler, Ada Gertrude; Conroy, John; Duggan, Alice; Eccles, Charles D.; Fox, Gordon; Hill, Henry Purden; Stokes, Richard; Burke, William L.; Guinan, John. City of Dublin. Licensing Applications—Daly, Patrick; Heir, William; Kennedy, Denis; Kavanagh, Thomas; McKee, Margaret Mary; Mullet, William; Morris, Emily; Sweeney, Michael; Crawford, Robert; Cole, Francis; Hollinshead, Alfred G. Appeals under Licensing Acts—Delany 9B v. O'Connor (appellant); Heffernan 20C v. Wilson (appellant); Gilmore 29D v. Hynes (appellant). County of Dublin. Appeals from Magistrates—Hanlon v. Nolan (appellant); Mooney v. Mullen (appellant). City of Dublin. Appeals from Magistrates—Dowling v. Tyrrell (appellant); Barton 37B v. Byrne (appellant); Barton 37B v. Connolly (appellant); Mooney v. Campbell (appellant); Phillips v. Larner (appellant); Griffin v. Lamond (appellant); Barton 187D v. Perry (appellant). Applications for Music and Dancing Licences—Mahony, Timothy; Chambers, Frank W. Appeal from Court of Conscience—McEvoy v. Kane and Reynolds (appellants).

(To-day's Legal Advertisements will be found on Page 4.)

NEW BARRISTERS.

At the meeting of the Benchers of King's Inns to be held on Tuesday, memorials to be called to the Irish Bar will be considered from the following gentlemen:—

Basil McGuckin, third son of Robert McGuckin, late of Millbrook, Magherafelt, in the County of Londonderry, deceased; certificate signed by Mr. Anthony B. Babington. To be proposed by Mr. Denis S. Henry, K.C. At the Honor Examination held on the 19th and 20th days of October, 1915, Mr. McGuckin was awarded the Society's Exhibition of £21 per annum for three years, and was excused attendance at three terms of lectures and two terms of commons, otherwise necessary for his call to the Bar, and takes rank accordingly.

Cathbar Davitt, B.A., National University of Ireland, second son of Michael Davitt, late of Dalkey, in the County of Dublin, deceased. Certificate signed by Mr. Arthur E. Clery. To be proposed by the Right Hon. Thomas F. Molony, Lord Justice of Appeal. At the Honor Examination held on the 19th and 20th days of October, 1915, Mr. Davitt was awarded the Society's Prize of £21, and was excused attendance at three terms of lectures and two terms of commons, otherwise necessary for his call to the Bar, and takes rank accordingly.

William Weatherup, B.A., LL.B., Queen's University, Belfast, youngest son of William J. Weatherup, of The "Dairy," Ballyclare, in the County of Antrim. Certificate signed by Mr. James W. Bird. To be proposed by Mr. Henry Hanna, K.C. At the Honor Examination held on the 19th and 20th days of October, 1915, Mr. Weatherup was awarded a first class certificate of honor, and was excused attendance at three terms of lectures and two terms of commons, otherwise necessary for his call to the Bar, and takes rank accordingly.

Vunnava Lakshminarayana, undergraduate, Madras University, eldest son of Vunnava Sreeramulu, of Gunteer, District of Gunteer, Madras Presidency, India. Certificate signed by Mr. Arthur E. Clery. To be proposed by Mr. James O'Connor, K.C., Solicitor-General. At the Honor Examination held on the 19th and 20th days of October, 1915, Mr. Lakshminarayana was awarded a certificate of honor, and was excused attendance at two terms of lectures and two terms of commons, otherwise necessary for his call to the Bar, and takes rank accordingly.

Herbert Quin, elder son of Stewart Blacker Quin, of Innisfallen, Annadale, Belfast, in the County of Down. Certificate signed by Mr. John Martin Whitaker. To be proposed by Mr. James Chambers, K.C., M.P. At the Honor Examination held on the 19th and 20th days of October, 1915, Mr. Quin was awarded a certificate of honor, and was excused attendance at two terms of lectures and two terms of commons, otherwise necessary for his call to the Bar.

ROYAL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY OF IRELAND.

The first meeting of the Council for the year was held at the society's offices, 5 Molesworth street, Dublin, on the 14th inst. Present:—R. T. Harris, LL.D.; J. Wylie-Henderson, Ernest Bewley, R. Anderson, H. Bill, R. G. Martin, J. J. McDonough, A. V. Montgomery, E. H. Walpole, G. Watson, W. F. Gunn, J.P.; G. M. Ross, M.A.; James Robertson, J.P., and Sir Frederick W. Moore. Regrets at inability to attend were received from Mrs. Greer, Canon Hayes, and Mr. E. D'Olier.

Mr. E. H. Walpole was appointed Chairman, Dr. Harris Vice-Chairman, Sir Frederick W. Moore Hon. Secretary, and the various committees were appointed for the ensuing year. It was unanimously resolved that an autumn show, in addition to the spring show already arranged for, should be held in August, and the Schedule Committee was instructed to draft a schedule for approval at the next council meeting, February 11th. His Honor Judge Linehan, Woodview, Booterstown, and Mr. W. H. Lee, Powerscourt Gardens, Enniskerry, were elected members of the society, and a cordial vote of thanks was accorded to Mrs. Kelly, Montrose, for specimens contributed to the meeting.

ARMY AND NAVY WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB.

CITY AND COUNTY OF DUBLIN.

The quarterly meeting of the Central Council was held on January 13th at 9 Ely place. In the absence of the Marchioness of Aberdeen and Temair (Chairman), and Dr. Prudence Gaffikin (Vice-Chairman), the chair was taken by The MacDermot (Hon. Treasurer). Present:—Mrs. O'Neill, Mrs. Jennings, Miss O'Neill (Sibail Club); Mrs. Chillingworth, Mrs. Smith (Shamrock Club); Mrs. MacDonnell, Miss McCarthy, Miss McNally, Miss Newman (Slainte Club); Mrs. Simpson (Hon. Secretary Central Council); Mrs. Hamilton (Chairman of Invalid Children's Aid Committee) attended as a visitor; Lady Wright represented the Irishwomen's Suffrage Federation, and Miss Nowlan (the Children's Clothing Society, Police Aided). A letter of regret for absence was read from Dr. Prudence Gaffikin. A statement of accounts was presented by the Hon. Treasurer, and approved. The Hon. Secretary reported that during the year 1915, 680 names had been registered on the membership rolls of the six clubs forming the group—the total average daily attendance being 98. The clubs were by no means self-supporting, something less than one-sixth the total cost of upkeep being covered by members' fees and profits from sale of refreshments. In response to the earnest appeal of Lady Aberdeen, the care of infants and young children had been made a special feature of club work. Doctors and nurses attended the clubs periodically, and classes had been arranged for the teaching of various branches of mothercraft at all centres. A coal club had also been established, which was working very satisfactorily.

The clubs were deeply indebted to the W.N.H.A., to the members of the V.A.D. No. 2 (City of Dublin Branch British Red Cross Society); to Dr. Ella Webb, Dr. Garland, Dr. Solomons, Mrs. Savell Hicks, Miss Tierney, and many other friends, for their valuable assistance in the child welfare and educative work, also in arranging concerts at frequent intervals. Reports of the Slainte, Shamrock, and Sibail Clubs were presented by the Hon. Secretaries—Mrs. MacDonnell, Mrs. Chillingworth, and Miss O'Neill.

SHIPPING FREIGHTS.

POSITION OF IRELAND.

EFFECT UPON COAL AND FOOD PRICES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BELFAST, SATURDAY.

There is considerable satisfaction in Belfast at the decision of the Cork Corporation in accepting the proposal put forward by the Belfast City Council to hold a joint conference upon the question of the present high prices of coal. It is felt in Belfast that if all the important cities in Ireland make a joint protest, and request the members of Parliament for Irish constituencies to press the matter in the House of Commons, the grave injustice under which Ireland at present suffers can be removed, and the price of coal brought within measurable distance of the prices prevailing in England and Scotland. The Belfast Trades Council has decided to support the effort now being made to secure a reduction in house coal prices, and, in fact, so far as Belfast is concerned, there is practical unanimity amongst all classes that everything possible should be done to have the present prices reduced. It is recognised, however, that the whole matter is very largely governed by the shipping freights. Not only would the price of coal, but many other commodities in Ireland, be much cheaper than they are at present were some steps taken to reduce the present high freights charged by the shipping companies.

FREIGHTS AND BREAD PRICES.

An example of the manner in which freight prices rule the charges for bread has been brought to light to-day. The Belfast Master Bakers' Association announce that after Monday next, the 17th inst., the price of bread will be advanced ½d. per 4lb. loaf, making the cost of the 2lb. loaf 4½d. This is an advance of 100 per cent. on what the 4lb. loaf formerly cost. The increase is not attributable to any deficiency in the supplies of flour, but entirely to the enormous growth in freight charges. Ireland is exceptionally situated so far as coal and flour are concerned, and must consequently meet under present conditions much larger charges for freights than the people in Great Britain. The same thing applies to nearly all other commodities imported into Ireland, some of which are absolutely necessary articles of food for the people, or raw material for industries.

The present exceptional condition of affairs in Ireland seems to call for immediate consideration on the part of the Government, irrespective of any action which the Government may eventually take in regard to freight prices generally.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SCIENCE.

STUDENTS' UNION ENTERTAINMENT.

On Saturday evening a successful concert was given in the Lecture Theatre of the Royal College of Science, Dublin, under the auspices of the College Students' Union. The theatre was crowded to the doors. The entertainment was given on behalf of the funds for the Royal College of Science Men's and Women's St. John Voluntary Aid Detachments and the Royal College of Science Platoon, 1st (Dublin) Battalion Irish Association of Volunteer Training Corps. The programme was an excellent one, and it was thoroughly appreciated by the large audience. The vocalists were Miss Mildred Attwooll, Miss May Doyle, Madame Coslett Heller, Mrs. C. T. Waters; the Leinster Quartette (Messrs. J. Barclay Walker, W. Lewin, George A. White, and Wesley Guard), Sergeant Alfred Kelly, Mr. T. Earls, Mr. Joseph O'Reilly, Sergeant H. Scott. Miss Erica Wilson played the piano, Mr. Walter Starkie gave a violin solo, Mr. W. Reidy contributed a 'cello solo, an exhibition of juggling was given, and Dr. W. A. Winter and Corporal E. W. Leach gave a brief account of the work of the Volunteer Aid Detachment. Dr. R. Atkinson Stoney, F.R.C.S.I., read a paper describing his experiences with the Red Cross hospitals in France. Professor J. Wilson, platoon commander, acted as chairman, and Sergeant E. Bradbury, Dublin Veterans' Corps, rendered good service as accompanist.

ROYAL ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF IRELAND.

The Council met on Saturday, Dr. R. R. Leeper, Vice-President, in the chair. The Secretary stated that the medals for animal photography obtained in competition last November would be presented at the annual meeting of the society on the 27th inst. As one of the junior competitors was returning to school prior to that date he had been invited to attend, and the bronze medal won by Master James FitzGibbon was presented at the close of the Saturday breakfast. It is encouraging to the promoters of the competition to notice that there is no falling off in quality or quantity as regards this competition, and anyone who comes to the annual meeting to be held in the theatre of the Royal Dublin Society, Kildare street (kindly lent by the Council) will have an opportunity there of judging of the merits of the competitors, as the exhibits of the successful participants will be on view. The arrivals for the week are a roseate cockatoo from Mrs. Glenn, and some piebald rats from Mr. C. H. Milner. Numbers visiting the Gardens, 1,127.

ALLEGED DRUNKENNESS OF MUNITION WORKERS.

In the course of the hearing of a case at Nottingham on Saturday afternoon allegations of wholesale drunkenness were made against certain munition workers by the manager of a local engineering depot. He stated that at the works where the defendant, who was charged with inebriety and assaulting a constable, was engaged, no fewer than twenty-six men had come in in a drunken condition during a week. The chief constable observed that it was because of the men coming and going as they liked. The witness agreed that a lot of the men did that. The defendant, Arthur M'Coy (43), was sentenced to fourteen days' imprisonment. The manager of the depot said that men of M'Coy's class were earning from £3 to £4 weekly.

IRISH WILLS.

Mrs. Sarah Butler Staveley, of 21 Clarinda Park, East, Kingstown, Co. Dublin, who died on the 13th September last, left personal estate in the United Kingdom valued at £20,732 13s. 3d., of which £13,515 4s. 4d. is in England. Probate of her will, dated 6th November, 1913, with codicils of the 20th February, 1915, respectively, has been granted to Major John Finch, of Bloomfield, Newport, Co. Tipperary, and Mrs. Mary Louisa Adams, of Lapuri, Sichester road, Glenageary, Co. Dublin. The testatrix left £1,000 to her niece, Irene Lily Singleton; £3,000 to her niece, Ethel Miles, and to them jointly she left her interest in certain settled real estate; £250 to the Society for Promoting Christianity Among the Jews; £150 to St. Patrick's Nurses Home, Dublin; £1,000 to Phœbe Finch, £100 to Rebecca Creagh, £100 each to Arthur Gethin Creagh, of Feighmore, and Arthur Gethin Creagh, of Monkstown; £75 per annum for the education of Ormond Butler Staveley until he attains the age of 25 years, and the residue of her estate she left to Major John Finch.

Mr. John Chambré, of 56 Belgrave square, Monkstown, Co. Dublin, and of Hawthorn Hill, Co. Armagh, of Messrs. W. and J. Chambré, wine merchants, of Commercial Buildings, Dame street, Dublin, a director of A. and R. Thwaites and Co., Ltd., and of the Yam Seng Rubber Co., Ltd., who died on the 24th November last, left personal estate in the United Kingdom valued at £20,436 2s. 10d., of which £6,575 14s. is in England. After some bequests to servants, and £250 each to the executors of his will, he leaves the residue of his estate in trust for his sisters, Mary and Rebecca, during their lives, and then, subject to several bequests of stocks and shares to various nephews and nieces, the ultimate residue of his estate as to one-half to his nephew, William; one-fourth to his nephew, Charles Barclay MacPherson, and one-fourth to his nephew, John.

AMERICAN AND COLONIAL MEAT EXPORTS.

During the past week five steamers landed sheep and lamb carcases, pork, and fresh beef at Liverpool from the various North and South American and Colonial ports. The vessels, with their freights, were as follow:—The New York, from New York, with 2,742 carcases of pork and 1,546 qrs. of beef; the Canadian, from Boston, with 10,819 carcases of pork and 555 boxes of meat; the Amazon, from Buenos Ayres, with 902 sheep carcases, 300 dressed pigs, and 4,123 qrs. of pigs; the Metagama, from St. John, with 1,333 dressed pigs; and the Bollington Grange, from Buenos Ayres, with 59,579 sheep and lamb carcases and 7,000 qrs. of beef—making a total of 60,481 sheep and lamb carcases; 15,894 carcases of pork, 565 boxes of meat, and 12,669 qrs. of beef. Compared with the arrivals of the preceding week these figures show an increase of 56,481 sheep and lamb carcases and 11,157 carcases of pork, and a decrease of 5,144 boxes of meat and 25,604 qrs. of beef.

Miss RUTH ROBERTS, of Folkestone, celebrated her 103rd birthday yesterday (Sunday). She was born at Hythe, one of a family of twenty-two. Her father and two of his sons fought at Waterloo. Miss Roberts is in excellent health and spirits, and received many callers and presents on Saturday.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

(OFFICIAL REPORT.)

NORWICH.

Larger supply of fat cattle, quality not being so good as last week; demand hardly so firm, and prices easier, choice small weights realising 11/3 to 11/6, heavy weights 10/6 to 11/-, secondary sorts 9/6 to 10/-, choice cows 10/-, and others 8/6 to 9/- per 14lbs. stone. Fair number of fat sheep on offer, of better quality than at the previous market. Trade firmer at increased prices, prime quality small weights making 14/-, and heavy weights 13/- per stone; while the small supply of fat ewes also sold well at 9½d. per lb. Fat pigs shown in fair numbers; bacon pigs again sold at 10/-, but small sorts only realised 10/- to 10/3 per 14lbs. Increased supply of store cattle of improved quality, with a larger attendance of buyers; demand rather brisker, higher prices being realised. The best quality three-year-olds made up to £24, and other classes from £10 to £18 per head. Store sheep in slow request, and dearer, prices ranging from 50/- to 67/- each. Rearing calves not quite so dear, the best quality averaging about 65/- each.

MARKET REPORTS.

LONDON (THE BALTIC)—Saturday.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

Wheat.—Cargo market very firm, with prices occasionally the turn dearer, but the demand proved quiet all round. Steamers of No. 1 Northern Manitoba, January-February, sellers 66/6 to 66/9; Rosafe (61½lbs.), January-February, 67/6; Barusso (63lbs.), February, 67/-, and a sailer Baril (62lbs.), expected March, 64/6; Australian, expected ready to sail, 65/-; ditto February, also February 15th-March, 64/3, and April 62/6; white Walla and blue stem combined, due out to load, 66/-.

Parcels firmer. No. 1 Northern Manitoba, January-February, sold at 64/9 to 64/10½, and February-March 65/1½ to 65/3.

Maize firm, but inactive. Steamers of yellow La Plata afloat, January-February, also February shipments, sellers 54/-.

Parcels quiet and easier. La Plata arrived sold at 49/9. January-February 51/3, and February-March 52/3.

Barley firm, with few offers. Superior Californian brewing, January, quoted 54/-; Oregon, January, 53/-.

Oats quiet. Bahia-Blanca, January-February, sellers 35/6, and La Plata, 15th February-March, 35/-.

LIVERPOOL CORN MARKET—Saturday

(SPECIAL REPORT.)

Advices from America turned out worse than expected, and a quieter tone prevailed in wheat here today, c.i.f. parcels of winter favouring buyers, but Manitobas the turn dearer.

Maize in forward positions neglected and easier, with sellers less reserved.

Wheat on the spot was quiet, with buyers showing little disposition to operate, though yesterday's market currencies were repeated for all descriptions.

Maize—Spot parcels attracted little attention, and purchases could be made on slightly easier terms, though late quotations were repeated.

Flour was steadily held for the recent advance, minimum price of bakers' grade being 47/- per sack.

Wheat cargoes ruled quietly steady and unaltered. Blue stem due out, 60/-. Australian sailer, February 64/-, and Rosario Santa Fe (61½lbs.), January-February 67/- per qr.

Parcels quietly steady, the only business reported being No. 1 Manitoba, Feb.-March, 63/10½, and No. 2 hard winter, January-February, 59/- per qr.

Maize cargoes inactive. Yellow River Plate afloat quoted 54/- per qr.

Parcels neglected and easier. Yellow River Plate afloat quoted 50/-. January-February 51/6; mixed (northern ports), February-March 48/3; Galf., January-February 49/3 per qr.

Imports of Grain, &c. (Centals.)

	Wheat.	Flour.	Maize.	Peas.	Beans.
To-day	23590	—	7616	2243	—
This week	780375	37123	132773	6971	10907
This year	1271794	46862	224987	9423	19612
Last year	912870	42383	454559	20093	3411

Current quotations—

WHEAT, 100lb.			American Spring—		
Australian	none here		Patent	48/6	49/6
White Walla	none here		Low Grade	none here	
Red Walla	none here		English-made—		
No. 1 Manitoba (new)	13/11	13/11¼	Patent	49/0	52/0
No. 2	13/9	13/9¼	Bakers	47/0	48/0
No. 3	13/6	13/6¼	BARLEY, ℔ 60lb.		
No. 4	13/0	13/1	Feeding	6/5	6/6½
West. Winter	none here		PEAS, ℔ 100lb.		
No. 2 Hard Winter (new)	12/9½	12/10	Canadian	none here	
River Plate	none here		Kurrachee	15/0	—
Kurrachee	none here		Chilese	14/0	—
MAIZE, ℔ 100lb.			BEANS, ℔ 480lb.		
Mixed	1/10	10/11	Saidi	55/0	55/6
Yel. River Plate on sample	10/10	10/10½	Odessa	none here	
Danubian	none here		English	54/0	56/0
Cinquantina	none here		Chinese (new)	none here	
Gal. Fox	none here		OATMEAL, ℔ 240lb.		
Wt. African	10/10	10/10½	Irish	none here	
Bombay	none here		Canadian and American	39/0	39/6
FLOUR, 280lb.			Midlothian	55/0	56/0
American Winter:			OATS, ℔ 45lb.		
Patent	47/6	48/6	English (New)	4/10	5/1
			River Plate	none here	
			Chilian	4/10½	5/2

LIVERPOOL PROVISION MARKET—Saturday.

(SPECIAL REPORT.)

Bacon.—The steady tone in the bacon market here continued for all descriptions of American, less favourable advices from Chicago respecting produce being offset by the higher prices for live hogs, while arrivals here, though again liberal, are still held up both on board ship and on quay owing to congestion. There was again a fair demand experienced for most descriptions, and full prices were repeated all round. Irish and Danish ruled steady, with a fair inquiry at recent currencies, but Canadian somewhat irregular, sides being 1/- per cwt. dearer, but Cumberlands about 2/- under late figures.

Shoulders remained nominal in the absence of supplies actually ready for delivery.

Hams continued firm, with a fair business reported in short cut at the recent improvement, while longs remained quietly steady and unaltered.

Lard on the spot was steady for prime steam at the recently enhanced prices, but American refined gave way 6d. per cwt., in sympathy with the lower quotations from Chicago, while buyers operated more cautiously.

Cheese remained firm, and fairly active at yesterday's improved prices for both finest white and coloured.

Butter met a fair inquiry at recent full prices for finest makes, but other descriptions attracted little attention.

Eggs dull of sale, and with free offerings prices showed a farther decline in all descriptions, especially Irish.

Imports of Provisions.

	Bacon. Boxes.	Beef. Tierc's.	Butter. Pack's.	Cheese. Boxes.	Hams. Boxes.	Pork. Brls.	Lard. Tons.
To-day	2098	—	—	237	598	45	58
This week	20081	150	21521	9066	4089	516	687
This year	42421	693	21973	14825	6569	550	1160
Last year	14888	581	6477	14353	4725	93	1922

Current quotations—

Bacon, per 112lbs.	s.	d.	s.	d.
Irish	100	0	104	0
Danish	101	0	104	0
Canadian Singed Sides	87	0	91	0
Canadian Cumberland Cut	76	0	80	0
Canadian Long Ribs			nominal	
American—				
Long Clear, 28lb. to 35lb.	80	0	82	0
Short Backs, 12lb. to 20lb.	74	0	78	0
Short Rib, 16lb. to 24lb.	80	0	82	0
Clear Bellies, 14lb. to 18lb.	85	0	86	0
Cumberland, 24lb. to 35lb.	74	0	77	0
Hams, per 112 lbs.				
Long Cut, 12lb. to 16lb.	86	0	91	0
American Cut, 12lb. to 16lb.	91	0	94	0
Skinless, 14lb. to 16lb.			nominal	
Extra			nominal	
Long Cut Canadian			nominal	
Shoulders, per 112lbs.				
New York Cut, 11lb. to 15lb.			nominal	
Square Cut, 12lb. to 16lb.			nominal	
Picnic, 5lb. to 8lb.			nominal	

Lard, per 112lbs.			Argentine	146/0 — 149/0
Prime Steam	80/0	80/6	Siberian	120/0 — 125/0
Pails, 2·28lbs.	63/3	64/6	Cheese—	
Boxes, 2·28lbs.	62/0	63/3	Finest Canadian (white)	96/0 — 98/0
Compound, 2·28lb. boxes	54/0	55/0	do (coloured)	98/0 — 100/0
Indian mess ex	nominal		Eggs, per 120—	
Pork, per 200lbs.— Prime mess	nominal		Irish (hen)	18/0 — 18/6
Butter, per 112lbs.—			(duck)	nominal
Irish Creams	nominal		Danish	nominal
do. Factories	138/0	134/0	Egyptian	11/0 — 11/3
Danish	180/0	183/0	Russian	nominal
Australian	150/0	153/0	Cold Store	none here
New Zealand	150/0	153/0	Canadian	12/9 — 13/3
Canadian	144/0	148/0	U.S.A.	14/3 — 15/3
			Dutch	nominal

LIVERPOOL REFINED LARD "FUTURES" MARKET—Saturday.

(SPECIAL REPORT.)

Advices from Chicago failed to turn out as good as anticipated, and prices here gave way 3d. to 4½d. per cwt. on sellers showing less reserve. Fair quantities, however, changed hands, covering March at 61/-, and May 61/-, 61/3, and 61/1½, while January was quoted 61/4½ to 61/7½, and July 61/7 to 61/10½ per cwt.

Grain.

NEWCASTLE CORN MARKET, January 15.—Wheat 1/6 to 2/- dearer on the week. Oats 1/- to 1/6 dearer. Maize 2/- dearer. Beans 2/- dearer. Flour 1/- dearer. Wheat, No. 1 Northern Manitoba, 72/-; No. 2, 70/- to 71/3; hard winter, 67/6; English, 60/- to 63/-; maize, 54/6; oats, 35/0 to 37/-; beans, 58/-; flour, 49/6 to 52/6.

CARLISLE CORN MARKET, January 15.—To-day there was a small supply of oats; demand was better. Prices ranged from 11/9 to 12/- per three imperial bushels.

Cattle.

DONCASTER CATTLE MARKET, January 15.—A light show of cattle, and, though trade was slow, no change in prices took place, late rates being firmly held. English milch beasts, £25 to £33; Irish ditto, £18 to £25; bullocks, £18; heifers, £16 to £17 10s.; stirks, £12 to £15 per head. No sheep. Small supply of pigs, for which the demand was limited, young pigs making from 15/- to 20/- each.

Provisions.

DUBLIN WHOLESALE VEGETABLE MARKET, January 15.—Our market was well supplied this morning with all classes of seasonable vegetables. Trade, nevertheless, opened actively, and continued steady to the close, especially for cabbages, which register a further advance on yesterday's market. Quotations are as follows:—York cabbages, 12/- to 18/- and 20/- to 26/-; extra; 30/- to 32/6 per load; Savoys, 15/- to 18/- per load; cauliflowers, best, 3/9 to 5/-; seconds, 6d. to 1/3 per flasket; Brussels sprouts, 1/- to 1/6 per float; artichokes, 1/- to 1/6 per ditto; celery, 1/3 to 1/8 per bunch; white turnips, 5d. to 8d. per bunch; parsley, 10d. to 1/- per float; thyme, 4d. to 6d. per bunch; salad, 4d. to 6d. per dozen; beet, 4d. to 6d. per bunch; carrots, 10d. to 1/- per dozen bunches; parsnips, 1/3 per dozen bunches; ditto, per cwt., 3/9 to 4/-; rhubarb, 1/9 to 2/4; Swede turnips, 10d. to 1/1 per cwt.

DUBLIN WHOLESALE POTATO MARKET, Jan. 15.—There is no alteration to report in potatoes. Supplies, especially of secondary grades, continue liberal, and very difficult to clear. Really choice samples in steady request at previous quotations, viz.:—Best Dates, 3/4 to 3/8; Sherry Blues, 5/- per cwt.

DUBLIN WHOLESALE FISH MARKET, January 15.—Arrivals of fish this morning were limited to a few packages from Ringsend and country smacks: 29 barrels of herrings, 2 chests of lobsters, and 1 salmon, being the first arrival of the season; trade good. Salmon, per lb., 3/4; soles, per 9 pairs, large, 35/- to 40/-; medium, 15/- to 25/-; slips, 6/- to 8/-; plaice, per 8, large, 10/- to 12/-; small, 4/- to 5/-; turbots, each, 5/- to 15/-; herrings, per barrel, 30/- to 40/-; lobsters, per 13, best, 25/- to 30/-; medium, 15/- to 20/-; small, 8/- to 12/6.

BILLINGSGATE FISH MARKET, January 15.—Supply fair; demand fair. Soles, 1/10; slips, 1/8; red mullet, 2/-; dories, 8d. per lb.; turbot and lemon soles, 2/-; brill, 1/7; halibut, 20/-. English and Aberdeen plaice, 13/-; Dutch, 11/-; whiting, 7/-; hake, 10/6; gurnet, 6/-; skate, 9/-; live cod, 8/-; dead, 7/- per stone; large steamer haddocks, 50/-; small, 42/- per trunk; live eels, 20/-; dead, 16/- per draft; lobsters, 20/- to 60/- per score; crabs, 35/- per hamper.

HULL FISH MARKET, January 15.—Poor supply by three North Sea boats; good demand. Turbot, 1/8 per lb.; live plaice, 16/-; lemon soles, 24/-; whitings, 8/-; live cod, 8/6; dead ling, 5/6; dabs, 9/-; sprags, 7/6; large haddocks, 8/6; medium, same; small, 7/9; rock salmon, 5/-; codlings, 6/6 per stone.

GRIMSBY FISH MARKET, January 15.—Eighteen trawlers arrived with poor catches; prices firm on a good demand. Soles, 2/3; turbot, 1/6 to 1/7; brills, 1/4 per lb. English plaice, 13/6; whitings, 8/- to 8/6; whitches, 15/6 to 16/-; dead halibut, 18/6 to 24/-; live cod, 9/- to 10/-; dead, 7/6 to 9/-; small haddocks, 7/6 to 8/-; kit, 8/- to 8/6; gibbed, 9/3 to 9/6 per stone.

LONDON BORO' AND SPITALFIELDS POTATO MARKET, January 15.—Larger arrivals passed off with slow demand; prices tended easier. Quotations:—Best Dunbars, 130/- to 140/-. Kents, also Essex, 90/- to 95/-. Redbeards, 90/- to 95/-. Blacklands, 90/-. Scotch and King Edwards, also Up-to-Dates, 90/- to 95/-, and Maincrops, 110/- to 115/- per ton.

CLYDE CRUSHED SUGAR MARKET, January 15.—Market closed steady; good business done.

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Butter.

LITTLE GREEN WHOLESALE BUTTER AND EGG MARKET, January 15.—The market for butter is steady, fine qualities moving freely, secondary and coarse grades slow. Eggs offering more liberally, but trade proves very slow and prices uncertain, buyers holding off in anticipation of much lower rates; a clearance, in consequence, is not effected.

CORK BUTTER MARKET, January 15.—Thirds, 92/-; fresh butter, 133/- per cwt.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

Liverpool Produce—Saturday

(SPECIAL REPORT.)

Cane Sugar continues to have a very firm market, with practically nothing offering. The market for beet continues closed. The following are Messrs. Henry Tate and Sons', Limited, quotations to-day:—Crystals—No. 1, 33/-; small No. 1, 32/9; No. 2, 32/9, all ex refinery, Liverpool. Granulated—Standard, 32/3; coarse, 32/6; fine, 32/9, all ex refinery, Liverpool. Cubes—In London—1st quality, 40/6; afternoon tea, 41/3.

Coffee continues to rule slow of sale.

Cocoa is still quiet in tone, and no further sales have been reported.

Rice—Cleaned has a strong and advancing market in all positions.

Rice Bran also rules strong in tone, and the high prices current are still checking business.

Linseed—River Plate is firmly held, but without any fresh business reported. 77/6 per 410lbs. is the quotation for January and January-February shipment c.i.f. A.T.

Hemp—Late last evening 300 bales coarse brown were reported at 42 10s., and 500 bales coarse at £44 per ton, both c.i.f. terms, for January and February-April shipments. To-day there is a strong tone ruling in the market for Manila, with buyers at yesterday's advanced prices, but no further business has been reported.

Sago Flour—A continued firm tone prevails in the market for spot parcels of Sarawak, and 15/9 to 16/3 per cwt., according to quality, remains the quotation for quay parcels. Forward positions remain steady but idle.

Rubber—The market is dull, and Para hard fine, on the spot, is quoted more or less nominal.

Sulphate of Copper is firm and unchanged, £45 per ton, f.o.b. being still quoted.

Nitrate of Soda remains very firm at £16 10s. for ordinary 95 to 96 per cent., and £17 per ton for refined, guaranteed 96 to 97 per cent., and under 1 of muriates, both net cash, on the spot, with a fair demand experienced.

Lard is firmly held for the recent full prices—viz., 60/- to 60/6 per cwt., for choice Western on the spot.

Tallow remains very firm, but there have been no transactions reported.

Linseed Oil—Liverpool makes, in exports, continue very firm, with 47/6 to 48/- per cwt. still the nominal value.

Rosin—American on the spot is firmer, and sellers now quote 20/6 for common, I., F., and G., 20/7½ for H., 20/9 for I., 22/6 for K., 23/- for M., 24/- for N., 24/6 for WG, and 25/- per cwt. for WW.

Turpentine is easier, spot American being now offered at 55/- per cwt.

Petroleum—Refined American oils continue in very fair demand, and are well held for 10½d. to 11¼d. per gallon.

Miscellaneous.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET (First Report), January 15.—First estimated sales, 6,000 bales. The market opened with a moderate demand. Futures opened 3½ points to 5½ points over, and now (11 o'clock) are 4 points to 5½ points over yesterday's close—January, January-February, 7·93d.; March-April, 7·85d.; May-June, 7·77½d.; July-August, 7·69d.; October-November, 7·27d. Imports, 16,959 bales.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET (Second Report), January 15.—Sales, 6,000 bales, speculation, 1,000; American quiet; quotations raised 6 points; mid., 8·12d. Brazils raised 6 points. East Indian quotations raised 5 points. Egyptian, large business; quotation raised 15 points; sales, 2,000 bales. Futures firm, 4½ to 6 points over yesterday's close—January, January-February, 7·92½d.; March-April, 7·88d.; May-June, 7·80d.; July-August, 7·70d.; October-November, 7·30d.; January-February, 7·18½d.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET (Third Report), January 15.—Futures closed firm, 8½ to 6 points over yesterday's final—January-January-February, 7·92½d.; February-March, 7·90½d.; March-April, 7·88d.; April-May, 7·84d.; May-June, 7·80d.; June-July, 7·75d.; July-August, 7·70½d.; August-September, 7·55½d.; September-October, 7·36½d.; October-November, 7·30d.; November-December, 7·25d.; December-January, 7·17½d.; January-February, 7·15½d. Egyptian futures closed strong.

Hay and Straw.

LONDON HAY AND STRAW MARKET, January 15.—Moderate arrivals experienced good demand at late rates. Quotations:—Best meadow hay, 132/6 to 157/6; good, 110/- to 125/-; best clover, 150/- to 140/-; good, 122/6 to 130/-; best clover and ryegrass mixture, 132/6 to 137/6; good, 120/- to 125/-; best sainfoin, 127/6 to 135/-; secondary, 110/- to 115/-; best Lucerne, 115/- to 120/-. Straw, 38/- to 48/- per load, delivered.

SMITHFIELD MARKET.

(OFFICIAL REPORT.)

LONDON CENTRAL MARKETS, January 15.

There is very little wholesale trade done here on Saturdays, and, therefore, the day cannot be classed as a market day.

Produce arriving here for market or cold store weighed 298 tons, being 109 tons below the day's average deliveries. Of the deliveries 126 tons were British bred and 172 tons imported from the Colonies and foreign countries, made up as follows:—

	Beef and Veal. Tons.	Mutton and Lamb. Tons.	Pork and Bacon. Tons.	Poultry and Game. Tons.	S'dries. Tons.
British bred	24	9	41	41	11
Imported	27	120	6	8	11
	51	129	47	49	22

For the week ending to-day the total produce marketed or stored aggregates 8,267 tons, 51·8 per cent., or 4,279 tons, being British bred, and 48·2 per cent., or 3,988 tons, imported from the Colonies and foreign countries as under:—

	Beef and Veal. Tons.	Mutton and Lamb. Tons.	Pork and Bacon. Tons.	Poultry and Game. Tons.	S'dries. Tons.
British bred	2431	886	613	262	87
Imported	1190	1914	351	68	465
	3621	2800	964	330	552

The week's supplies—8,267 tons—are 1088 tons above the weekly average of last year, and show the following result when compared with the corresponding week last year:—

Fresh meat, British bred	1217	tons increase
Fresh meat, Continental	1229	tons decrease
Preserved, U.S.A.	384	tons increase
Preserved, South American	1270	tons decrease
Preserved, Australian and South African	859	tons increase
Net decrease	42	tons

LONDON CENTRAL MEAT MARKET, January 15.—Beef—Scotch long sides, 5/4 to 5/6; short, 5/8 to 6/-; English, 4/10 to 5/-; Irish, 4/10 to 5/-; hindquarters, 5/10 to 6/2; forequarters, 4/3 to 4/5. Mutton—Scotch wethers, 5/8 to 6/2; ewes, 4/10 to 5/2; English wethers, 5/4 to 5/10; ewes, 4/8 to 4/10; New Zealand wethers, 5/- to 5/2; River Plate, 4/10 to 5/-; veal, English, 4/8 to 6/8. Pork quieter.

OILCAKES AND FEEDING STUFFS.

(COMMERCIAL PRESS TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Jan. 15.

Linseed Cakes have again been influenced by the rise in seed and freights, and higher prices are quoted, and still higher expected. Offers of foreign cakes are extremely limited, and home crushers display a diffident attitude, and quote £13 7/6 ex mill for ordinary London made linseed cakes, and £13 10/- for superior quality and analysis 10 p.c. oil.

There is a steady demand for Cottonseed Cakes, and supplies just arrived are easily sold at £10 2/6 ex ship. Offers for shipment, however, are extremely high, and there is talk of the mills in Egypt closing down soon. London made cakes are steady at £10 10/- on rails.

Coconut Cakes are again dearer on short supply, and a steady trade, and £10 10/- landed has to be paid for anything available in grey quality, whilst best white is held for £10 15/- ex ship, shortly due.

As before stated, Decorticated Groundnut Cakes monopolise most of the trade, and with supplies short prices have again advanced, and to-day's values for light Rufisque is £11 17/6 landed, and Coromandel £11 10/-.

There is practically no Rice Bran on offer, and prices remain nominally £9 10/- ex store, whilst Cocoameal is very difficult to obtain at £10 10/- on rail London, and £10 on rail Burton-on-Trent.

Sugar Food is again dearer on scarcity, and held for £8 10/- on rail.

GLASGOW WOOL SALES.

Messrs. F. H. M'Leod and Sons, of Bishop Gardens Wool Stores, Glasgow, report as follows:—The market for home wools continues satisfactory, and, with an active inquiry for all classes, transactions during the past week have been fairly numerous and values are very firm. The next series of Colonial auctions will open in London on Tuesday, 18th curt., when the market will be properly tested.

Saturday, 15th January, 1916.

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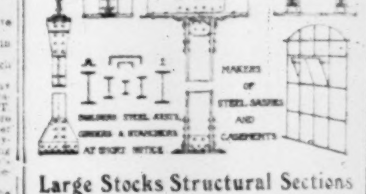

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LLOYD'S MAIL NEWS.

AZORES. Friday—The Catalina, for the ... Kingdom, left.
... Friday—The Medina, for Sydney, ...
BUENOS AYRES. Friday—The ... the United Kingdom, left.
BERMUDA. Friday—The Louisiana, from ..., arrived.
CALLAO. Friday—The Oriana, from ...
COLOMBO. Thursday—The ..., arrived.
GRAVESEND. Saturday—The Narkunda, for ...
HONG KONG. Friday—The ...
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HONG KONG. Thursday—The ...
LIVERPOOL. Saturday—The ..., arrived, and the ..., for ...
LIVERPOOL. Saturday—The ...
LONDON. Friday—The ..., left.
MONTE VIDEO. Friday—The ..., for Liverpool, arrived.
NEW YORK. Friday—The ..., previously reported, left for Havre.
NEW YORK. Saturday—The ... Orduna and the Philadelphia ...
PORT NATAL. Friday—The ...
RANGOON. Friday—The ...
SHANGHAI. Thursday—The ...
VICTORIA, B.C. Saturday—The ...
YOKOHAMA. Wednesday—The ...

REST FOR THE DYING, CAMDEN ROW.

The monthly meeting of the Managing Committee was held on the 14th inst., ... Esq., M.D., presiding. Also present—Henry Courtenay, J.P.; ... J.P.; John Scothorpe, the Hon. Secretary; Treasurer, Mr. George H. Parkes, was absent. The usual routine business was transacted and cheques drawn in payment of the accounts.

The Committee thankfully acknowledge ... of the following subscriptions, etc.:—Miss ... (collection), £5; Miss Barlow (2nd collection), ...; Mrs. C. B. Cordner (collection), ...; L. Fryer (collection), £17 2/0; Miss ... (collection), £3 14/0; Mrs. T. Sullivan, £10 2/0; Sir John P. Griffith, £10; ... £7 10/-; Colonel Pepper, D.L., £5 5/0; per Miss Allen, £10; John Sibthorpe, ... J. Samuel Edge, Esq.; Mrs. Forrest, ... Pastor H. W. Brown, Mrs. Burnes, Mrs. Doran, J. W. Elvery and Co., ... Miss Harding, Mrs. Hemphill, ... Miss Hobson, Mr. and Mrs. Marrable, Esq., M.A.; Mrs. Pease, Esq., F.T.C.D.; Miss Emma Riky, E. Roberts, Mrs. Cusack Russell, ... D. Scott, M.A.; Mrs. Herbert Shaw, Mrs. Smyth, St. Mary's Church, ... Ven. Archdeacon of Dublin, ... Lady Ann Trench, £1 each; ... Askin, George P. Beater, Esq.; ... Bennett, Miss Brabazon, ... Elvery, Miss Hazard, Wm. Hayes, ... Esther (Rathgar), Mrs. Herbert ... Webb, Esq., 10/- each; ... Lawder, Miss Stewart, 5/- each. The ... to acknowledge with many thanks ... gifts at Christmas from numerous ... patients thoroughly appreciated, and added to their enjoyment of the season.

SERVICES AND ANTHEMS

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

The Holy Communion is celebrated every ... 8 a.m. and 12 noon, on Holydays at ... a.m., and on Thursdays at 8 a.m. ... Service on week-days at 10 and 4 o'clock.

Monday, January 17.

Morning Service at 10 o'clock. Psalm ... Benedictus, VI. Hymn 321. Evening Service ... o'clock. Note—Boys' voices only. Magnificat ... Dimittis, Bennett in F. Anthem, "Hear my prayer," Mendelssohn, 13.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

Celebrations of the Holy Communion ... Choral Celebration at the 11.15 a.m. ... Holydays at 10 a.m. Matins at 10.45 a.m. ... days at 11.15 a.m.). Evensong at ... (Sundays at 4 o'clock).

Decani Week.

Monday, January 17. Boys' voices.
Morning—Chant. Hymn 5.
Evening—Lloyd in E flat.
He shall feed His flock ... Handel
Tuesday, January 18.
Morning—Steggall in F.
O Lord, my trust ... King Hall, Ps. ...
Evening—Arnold in A. We will rejoice ... Croft
Wednesday, January 19.
Morning—Travers in F.
The Lord hear thee ... Blow
Evening—Noble in B minor.
O be joyful in God ... Haydn
Thursday, January 20.
Morning—Tallis. Let my prayer come up ... Purcell
Evening—Tallis. The glory of the Lord ... Goss
Friday, January 21. No organ.
Morning—King in F.
Almighty and everlasting God ... Gibbons
Evening—Cooke in G. God be in my head ... Walford Davies
Saturday, January 22. Men's voices.
Morning—Macpherson in E.
O give thanks ... Boyce
Evening—Bennett in D minor.
Have mercy upon me ... Humphreys

St. James's District Church, S.C.R.—Anniversary Service. Divine Service this evening at 8. Proper Psalms, 23, 122. Hymns 335, 43, 107. Anthem, "Incline Thine ear," Himmel. Special preacher, Rev. Robert Northridge, M.A., Rector of St. Andrew's. Collection in aid of the Parish Sustentation Fund.

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(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SATURDAY NIGHT.

PRICE OF MILK INCREASED.

At a meeting in Belfast of the Wholesale Milk Suppliers' Association the following resolution was adopted:—"This Association recommends that owing to the great increase in the price of feeding stuffs and dairy cattle, the price of new milk be advanced twopence per gallon."

Our Portrait is of Mrs. E. COOK, who writes as follows

"I have been a great sufferer from Lumbago and Rheumatism for the last 10 years. Some months ago I was told by a Mr. ... Butterfield what 'Clarke's Blood Mixture' had done for him, so I started with it. I finished one bottle before I was able to ... I have now had four bottles, and work as easy as if I were 20, but ... I cannot be too thankful that I ... Clarke's Blood Mixture. It is never ... and if any of the children are ill ... a short course of it. It gives them a ... their food. (Signed) ELIZABETH ... street, Aberdeen."

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FATAL MOTOR ACCIDENT.

In the Southern Police Court, Dublin, on Saturday, before Mr. Swifte, Patrick Casey, Heskinstown, Killucan, was charged by Inspector Freeman with the manslaughter of Stephen Bolger, aged 11 years, by knocking him down in Westmoreland street the previous evening while driving a motor car, the property of James Byrne, Castlerickard, Moyvalley. The accused, in a statement made to the police, said that he was driving towards O'Connell Bridge when the boy ran out in front of a tram, and passed in front of the motor car, the left mudguard of which struck him. He stopped the car immediately, and brought the boy to hospital. The accused was remanded on bail until Friday.

BOY BURNED TO DEATH.

An inquest was held on Saturday in the Children's Hospital, Temple street, Dublin, on Michael Browne, aged 7 years, whose parents reside at Railway street, who died the previous evening as the result of injuries received by burns in his home. A grandmother of the boy gave evidence to the effect that while she was absent from the room for a few minutes the boy's shirt caught fire. The Coroner said that there should have been a screen in front of the fire. A verdict was returned to the effect that death was due to shock, following injuries accidentally received by burning.

ALLEGED THEFT OF MILITARY GOODS.

In the Southern Police Court, Dublin, on Saturday, before Mr. Swifte, Mary Cripps, of Charlemont street, was charged by Inspector Freeman with the illegal possession of a quantity of military clothing and other goods. The collection included overcoats, Cardigan jackets, drawers, shirts, towels, socks, blankets, gloves, kit bags, service boots, two tins of emergency rations, and a bottle of chutney. The accused was remanded.

KING EDWARD'S CORONATION FUND FOR NURSES.

The Council of the above Society held their quarterly meeting on Wednesday, 12th inst., at 73 Lower Leeson street. Mr. Andrew Beattie, D.L., in the chair. Others present were—Sir William Fry, J.P.; Miss McGivney, Miss Boland, and Miss Wheeler, Secretary. Sir William Fry, J.P., reported the financial condition of the Society, and three applicants received grants, one of £10 and two of £5 each. Apologies for non-attendance were received from Mr. Thomas A. O'Farrell, J.P.; Mr. Marcus T. Moses, J.P., and Miss Reed.

...ERS RESUME WORK.

... negotiations for a settlement, the ... who have been on strike at ... resumed work on Saturday. The Lord Mayor, who was ... in connection with the strike, ... as mediator. A special ... Cemetery Committee will be ... to consider the claims of ...

...SHIPPING REPORT.

... Shore Bawn, ss., South ... from Holyhead, with goods; ... with goods; ss. Dunure, ... ss. Harrier, from ... ss. Mayflower, ss. Saltom, ... Phelans, from Garston, with ... Point of Ayre, with coals; ... with coals; ss. Buffalo, ... ss. Invey, ss. Mungo, ... ss. Nora, from Neath ... ss. Tenaire, from Purtington, ... from Liverpool, with coals. ... Shore Bawn, ss. South ... for Holyhead, with goods; ss. Dunure, for ... ss. Lady Gwendolen, for ... the Adela, for Liverpool, with ... London, with porter; ss. ... Saint Margaret, ... for Llandulas, ... British Ramsey, light; ss. Ashton, ...

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INSTITUTE OF JOURNALISTS.

DUBLIN AND IRISH ASSOCIATION DISTRICT.

Mr. Frank H. Wayland, J.P., F.J.I. (outgoing Chairman), presided at the annual meeting of the Dublin and Irish Association District of the Institute of Journalists, held at the rooms, 185 Great Brunswick street on Saturday. The other members present were—Messrs. Hugh Curran, V.C.; T. A. Stodart, F.J.I.; T. Quilty, J. T. Jameson, John P. Gaynor, George L. MacDonagh, W. C. Chillingworth, C. G. F. Chute, M.A.; F. C. Wallis Healy, M. J. Cleeve, J. R. Molloy, Herbert Honohan, W. M. Kenealy, William Clarke, T. W. Murphy, Hon. Treasurer, and Gerald Harris, Hon. Secretary.

Mr. Wayland, in moving the adoption of the annual report, thanked the members and Committee for the support accorded him during the past year. Having briefly reviewed the work done by the Dublin District during the twelve months, he directed attention to the Orphan Fund, through which, since its foundation, £11,250 had been expended in grants to the children of deceased members. The Association, he also pointed out, offered a larger unemployment benefit than any other body.

Mr. Wallis Healy, supported by Mr. Molloy, seconded the Chairman's motion, and the report was adopted.

The Hon. Treasurer submitted a statement of accounts for the year, showing that the District was financially and otherwise in a healthy condition. Their efforts on behalf of the Orphan Fund were likewise very satisfactory.

At this stage the Chairman-elect (Mr. Curran), on the motion of Mr. Wayland, took the chair. In doing so he thanked the members for the honour conferred on him—an honour which he very much appreciated. As Chairman, he promised to discharge the trust reposed in him by forwarding the interests of journalists and the Institute.

Mr. Quilty, in moving a vote of thanks to the outgoing Chairman, congratulated him on the able manner in which he had discharged his duties, and on his unfailing courtesy to the Committee. In Mr. Curran they had a worthy successor.

The Chairman, in putting the resolution, which was unanimously passed, bore personal testimony to Mr. Wayland's administration during his year of office.

Mr. T. W. Murphy was re-elected District Representative on the Council.

Mr. T. Fitzgerald M'Gahan (Dundalk) was unanimously elected Vice-Chairman, on the motion of Mr. Stodart, seconded by Mr. Chillingworth. Mr. Molloy was elected Hon. Treasurer, and Mr. Harris Hon. Secretary.

Mr. Stodart proposed a vote of thanks to the outgoing Treasurer (Mr. Murphy), for whose services during eight years, first as Secretary and next as Treasurer, they were deeply grateful.

Mr. Honohan seconded, and Mr. Wayland supported, the resolution.

Mr. Murphy, in returning thanks, said that as representative of the Council he would always bear in mind the interests of the Dublin District and the Orphan Fund.

On the proposition of Mr. Stodart, a vote of condolence was passed to the relatives of the late Lord Burnham, who took so deep and practical an interest in the welfare of journalists. As Sir Edward Lawson he presided at the conference in the City Hall, Dublin, at which was founded the Orphan Fund.

THE SUPPER.

Later the members and their guests adjourned to the Royal Hibernian Hotel, Dawson street, where supper was served in Mr. Besson's best style. Mr. Wayland presided. The function was rendered all the more pleasing by the inclusion of an impromptu vocal and instrumental programme, among those who contributed being Messrs. Harold White, C. G. F. Chute, Hubert Briscoe, William Smith, James Martin, and R. H. Baird.

The Chairman, in proposing the toast of "The Guests," coupled with it the names of Mr. R. H. H. Baird, J.P., *Belfast Evening Telegraph*; Mr. Alexander McMonagle, *Ulster Echo*, Belfast; Mr. John Shannon, *Coleraine Chronicle*; Lieutenant Joseph Shannon, Mr. J. J. Simington, *Irish Times*; Mr. John Hall, *Freeman's Journal*, and Mr. W. J. Flynn, Managing Editor *Freeman's Journal*, who during the evening gave a breezy and entertaining account of his recent visit to the trenches, and of his impressions of our Irish soldiers at the front.

SUNDAY ORCHESTRAL CONCERT.

A very entertaining programme was presented at the orchestral concert given in the Antient Concert Rooms yesterday, and a large audience appreciated the excellent form displayed by the band. An opportunity was afforded of hearing the ballet suite, "The Butterflies" (Julius Jones), performed for the first time in Dublin, and the interpretation of the suite gave a great deal of pleasure. Though the opening struck one as rather thin, the development of the suite made it very acceptable in the brightness of the orchestration and the lilt of the rhythm. The judicious blending of strings and woodwind served to depict effectively a lazy summer afternoon, with Nature herself rejoicing in the completeness of her handiwork. A difference in pitch was, however, revealed when the woodwinds joined in with the strings after a section for the latter only. The effective conclusion of the suite was given with a fine crescendo. What "brought down the house" was the spirited rendering given to G. W. Byng's "Tarantella," with its lusty gaiety and animation. A selection from "Lucia di Lammermoor" (Donnizetti) was warmly received, and the orchestra played in thoroughly good style the march "Preciosa" (Weber) and Reisseger's overture "Yelva." The concert concluded with a fantasia on the works of Grieg. One could wish to hear a vocalist of the taste and ability of Miss M. H. Clancy every Sunday. Her contralto voice is full and clear, and she uses it with admirable care, but what particularly commends her singing is the fact that her words are clear, and she does not mumble and mangle words into a series of unintelligible and superfluous mouthings—a fault all too common. In her singing of "Abide with me" (Liddle) she displayed nice feeling and an easy control of her voice. Miss Annie Steer gave violin solos.

FISK JUBILEE SINGERS.

The return visit of this famous Trio has aroused much interest, and crowded audiences have been attracted to George's Hall during the week-end. On Saturday night a popular concert was given. The programme included the slave song, "Mother, is Massa going to sell me to-morrer?"; the old English glees, "Call John" and "Polly Hopkins," sung by Miss Mocara and Mr. McAdoo, and solos by Miss Mocara and Miss Williamson. By special request, the Trio also sang the now famous chorus, "Tipperary." All the items were rapturously applauded. Yesterday afternoon and evening the Trio gave sacred song services, which were enjoyed by large congregations, particularly at night, when it was found almost impossible to find accommodation for all who wished to be present. This afternoon the Trio has consented to sing at the entertainment for wounded soldiers organised by the Irish Automobile Club, and to-night at 8 o'clock they will conclude their visit to George's Hall with another popular concert. Particulars of admission, etc., will be found in our advertising columns.

COMING EVENTS.

Christian Science.—The lecture on "Christian Science" which is announced in to-day's issue, is to give information on the subject. It will also bear testimony to the life and work of Mrs. Eddy, the "founder and discoverer of Christian Science."

St. Stephen's Literary and Debating Society.—A public lecture on "The Theatre of European War" (illustrated with lantern slides) will be given by Professor Grenville Cole, F.G.S., this evening, in the Parochial Hall, Northumberland road. The net proceeds will be divided between the V.A. Detachments, Nos. 375 and 748, of the St. John Ambulance Brigade and towards the upkeep of the hall.

National Literary Society.—This evening, in the Large Hall, 6 St. Stephen's Green, Professor Louis C. Purser, Litt.D., S.F.T.C.D., will deliver a lecture on "Trinity College Library." The chair will be taken by the President (Dr. George Sigerson) at 8.15. Mr. T. W. Lyster, M.A., Librarian of the National Library, and Professor C. H. Oldham have promised to speak.

Performances of Irish Regiments.—Slides, which have been specially prepared by Mr. Mason, of Dame street, illustrating the heroic performances of Irish regiments and of Irish V.C.'s in the present war will be shown in the Engineers' Hall, Dawson street, on Wednesday evening, at 8 o'clock. Sir William Fry will preside, and a brief lecture, which will be purely descriptive, will be delivered.

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LABOUR DISPUTES IN 1915.

BOARD OF TRADE RETURNS.

In reviewing employment, wages, and labour disputes in 1915, the "Board of Trade Labour Gazette" says:—

The outstanding feature of the labour market in the year was the shortage of workpeople, which became more and more pronounced as the year advanced, and was very acute at its close owing to the active recruiting campaign that took place in the autumn and early winter. A few industries, including some of importance, such as the building trades and some branches of the clothing trade, were relatively quiet, though even in these the staffs of workpeople were so much depleted that there was very little unemployment, and, as a rule, only a small amount of short time. In the large majority of trades, however, the great difficulty was scarcity of labour, which was met to some extent by the working of overtime.

The number of labour disputes beginning in the year (674) was less than was the case in any of the four previous years, and the totals of the number of workpeople involved (445,936) and aggregate duration (2,969,700 days) were less than those for any of the five preceding years. In each case the figure for 1915 was below the average for the nine preceding years, the aggregate duration of the disputes in progress during the year being less than one-third of this average.

The total number of workpeople receiving war bonuses in the industries for which statistics are available, was 3,165,000, and the total amount of increase in the wages of these workpeople was over £503,000 per week, an average of about 3s. 10d. per head.

It is pointed out that at the beginning of 1915 retail prices of food were about 18 per cent. above the normal prices of July, 1914, the month before the war, whereas on the 1st of the present month the corresponding increase was 45 per cent.

DEATHS AT SEA.

The Dutch steamer Zeemeuw, a regular trader with butter and provisions between Rotterdam and Grimsby, arrived at Grimsby on Saturday afternoon in charge of the chief officer, having on board the body of Captain Oblsen, who had died on the voyage. He was about 60 years of age. Another death at sea was investigated by the Grimsby coroner on Saturday. James Bliss (45), chief engineer of the Grimsby trawler Isis, was found dead on the floor of the engine room on Wednesday, when the vessel was 130 miles from the Spurn. Nobody was present when he died. The doctor who made a *post mortem* examination was of opinion that the man died from shock, caused by a rupture of the liver in a fall. The jury returned a verdict in accordance with the doctor's evidence, the coroner remarking that there was a certain amount of mystery attached to the death.

BRITISH PRISONERS IN GERMANY.

Mr. E. Grant Duff, reporting upon the present position of the British section of the Bureau de Secours aux Prisoniers de Guerre at Berne, says that the number of British prisoners receiving bread is about 15,000. As each man gets two loaves per week the amount of bread baked is very large. The flour is imported from Marseilles. The bread is baked in Berne, and is packed in cardboard boxes, and addressed to each prisoner. A receipt postcard is enclosed in the parcel, and an advice postcard is sent separately to the prisoner. The bread parcels are put into a special van at Berne Station, which goes straight to Frankfort with no trans-shipment at the frontier, whence it is distributed to the different camps.

DUBLIN JUNIOR CLERICAL SOCIETY.

A meeting of this Society will be held in 37 Dawson street to-day at 3 p.m. The Rev. R. H. Seale will preside, and read a paper on "Eschatology." Membership is open to all undenominational Dublin clergy.

CHURCH [...]

The Rev. William [...] been elected Incumb[ent ...] Enniskillen, by the [...] Mr. Smartt served, [...] curate of St. Werbur[gh's ...] resigned in order to [...] Vicar in the Diocese [...]

The Bishop of K[...] Archdeaconry of A[...] Wallace Boyd, B.A. [...] and Canon of St[...] bestowed a go[...] the Rev. W[...] Fenagh.

The Board [...] of Drumreill[...] pointed the [...] curate of St. [...] Incumbency.

Much-needed imp[...] been carried out in [...] Tynan, Co. Armagh [...] discovered to be e[...] been almost entirel[y ...] supervision of the d[...] pine of ornamental [...] and the whole appe[...] been greatly impro[ved ...] of the work was [...] larger portion wa[...] re-opening [...]

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Mrs. Adderley [...] vide[...] for the Saturday and Su[nday ...] ment in the Dioce[se ...] with the men. [...] Canon McClean, C[...] the Dardanelles, [...] to Salonika. He is ill in [...] andria.

On Saturday last Re[v. ...] Martin, B.A., for some tim[e ...] down, and at a later peri[od ...] town, Co. Armagh, was [...] Bishop of the diocese [...] Paul, Gilford, Co. Down. [...]

The parishioners and frie[nds ...] W. T. C. Day, M.A., Re[ctor ...] Parish, have presented him [...] silver salver and an illuminated [...] his retirement from the parish [...] state of health, after 33 years' fai[thful ...] Mrs. Day was presented with a s[...] pot, in case, as a token of the [...] regard in which she was held by [...] Catholics as well as Protestants [...] the presentation.

WEEKLY PRAYER ME[ETING].

The weekly meeting for praye[r ...] cation on behalf of our nation, [...] and sailors will be held this aft[ernoon at ...] o'clock in St. Andrew's Pa[rish Hall ...] Suffolk street.

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GOLF.

GOLFING UNION OF IRELAND (LEINSTER BRANCH).

ENTERTAINMENTS FOR WOUNDED SOLDIERS.

The following clubs will entertain at Ballsbridge this week:—To-day—Foxrock Golf Club; to-morrow—Portmarnock Golf Club.

The following clubs entertained parties of soldiers during last week:—Milltown, The Island, and Greystones. A feature of the entertainment by the Milltown Club on Tuesday was the presence of the principal artistes from the Theatre Royal, who contributed to the enjoyment of the soldiers and visitors by rendering an excellent variety programme.

FINGLAS CLUB.—The adjourned annual general meeting was held on Saturday night in the Imperial Hotel, Sackville street, Mr. William Fitzsimmons presiding over a large gathering of the members. The recommendations of the sub-committee appointed at the previous meeting were in their entirety adopted unanimously, the opinion of the meeting being that it was the duty of the members at the present time to loyally co-operate with the proprietors. It was decided that for the period of the war the entrance fee for new members be cancelled. The following officers were elected:—Captain, John Doyle; Vice-Captain, Wm. Fitzsimmons; Hon. Secretary, J. B. Patterson; Committee, Messrs. Nicholl, Moriarity, Monks, Whelan, Carpenter, John Bridgeman, McErlean.

LUCAN CLUB—LADIES' BRANCH.—Wednesday next: I.L.G.U. medal; 18 holes, stroke; arrange opponents.

MILLTOWN GOLF CLUB.—The monthly medal will be played for on Saturday, 22nd inst.

RATHFARNHAM CLUB—LADIES' BRANCH.—The monthly medals were played for on Friday. Miss Day won in Class I. and Mrs. R. Benson in Class II. Mrs. J. E. Healy and Mrs. R. Browne [...].

HUNTING.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

THE WARD UNION

Date—January	Meet.	Hour.
Tuesday, 18	Black Hall (by-day)	1.30
Wednesday, 19	9-Mile Stone	1.30
Saturday, 22	Black Bull	1.30

THE KILDARE.

Tuesday, 18	Brannoxtown	11.0
Thursday, 20	Bollardstown Gate	11.30
Saturday, 22	Enfield	11.0

THE MEATH.

Tuesday, 18	Headfort	11.0
Friday, 21	Cross Keys, Drumree	11.0

HUNTING FIXTURES.

THE WARD UNION.

The Ward Union will meet to-morrow (Tuesday) at Black Hall at 1.30 (by-day).

TARA HARRIERS.

A special meeting will be held in the Russell Arms Hotel to-day at 12.30 o'clock.

TIPPERARY HOUNDS.

January—Monday, 24th, Gibbs' Forge; Wednesday, 26th, Graystown; Saturday, 29th, Ballinure; Monday, 31st, Rathronan Cross. February—Thursday, 3rd, Ballynonty. Meet at 11.15 o'clock.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

DUBLIN CIVIL SERVICE R.C.

The highest possible score was registered by [...] on Saturday. He headed the list off [...] and also won the solid silver spoon in Class [...] Class B. T. Bell won easily, with the good [...] of 197.10. Details of principal [...]:—

	Deliberate.	Rapid.	Total.
[illegible]	100	93	193
[illegible]	94	97	191
[illegible]	98	92	190
[illegible]	95	92	187
[illegible]	96	91	187
[illegible]	97	88	185
[illegible]	95	89	184
[illegible]	90	88	178
[illegible]	92	85	177
[illegible]	91	85	176
[illegible]	86	86	172
[illegible]	93	74	167

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SPORTING NEWS.

ROYAL WINDSOR MEETING—SATURDAY.

NEWRY AND QUEL BONHEUR REPEAT LINGFIELD SUCCESS.

IRISH MAIL'S POOR DISPLAY.

Although visitors to Windsor on Saturday were favoured with almost the minimum of sunshine, the weather was otherwise pleasantly fine for the time of the year, and another very large attendance supported the fixture, which proved an uncommonly successful function.

A spirited resumption of the racing was made with a field of 21 for a Maiden Hurdle Race, and Quel Bonheur had disposed of so many of these in nice style at Lingfield last week that on the present occasion most backers ranged themselves on his side, but Michigan, who represented Hartigan's stable in preference to Spearproof, was also well backed. The pair had the issue to themselves from the last flight of hurdles, but Quel Bonheur defeated the Weyhill colt quite cleverly in the end. In the absence of Les Ormes, whose number was hoisted, but who was found at the eleventh hour to be amiss, Newry very easily repeated his Lingfield success, and incidentally exposed the unreliability of the Gatwick form, when he finished some distance in the rear of Les Ormes and Lynch Pin, the latter conceding the winner 1lb.

Backers were fairly on the mark again in connection with the Selling Handicap, although Carol Singer cleverly disposed of the favourite after a good race. 65 guineas sufficed to retain the last-named at the auction. A good-class field of steeplechasers contested the Castle Handicap, a key to which appeared to be available through the running for the Purley Steeplechase, won by Bernstein a fortnight ago. Accordingly Hannibal started a very warm favourite, "sevens" being freely offered bar one. However, the race resolved itself into a match between Meridian and Bruce from the last obstacle, and Bruce appeared to stay a trifle the better. Sensitive Symons ran unaccountably badly, and neither of the Royston pair covered himself with glory, but Limerock may be worth bearing in mind.

Much interest centred upon the meeting of Irish Mail and Ally Sloper in the Burnham Steeplechase, but the National winner is yet short of fitness and practice, and after Irish Mail came to grief at the water, General Fox experienced no difficulty in winning. In the case of the Englefield Hurdle Race Responsible was at no time out of the lead. Details:—

12.15.—A MAIDEN FOUR-YEAR-OLD HURDLE RACE of £100. Two miles. (Started at 12.16.)

Mrs. C. Tabor's b. c. **QUEL BONHEUR** by Turbine—Fragelite, 11-7 ......Mr. H. S. Harrison 1
Mr. H. Hartigan's **MICHIGAN**, 11-0 ......G. Duller 2
Mr. H. Trimmer's **MARTINMAS** 11-0 ......Renison 3

Also ran—Wolfaline, 11-0 (Wilmott); Finality, 11-0 (W. Smith); Slave Crag, 11-0 (Avila); Squire Bruce, 11-0 (Smallpiece); Theseus, 11-0 (W. Earl); Water Bed, 11-0 (C. Young); Royal Jesty, 11-0 (W. Butchers); King's Year, 11-0 (L. Jones); Picador, 11-0 (Foote); The O'Neill, 11-0 (Dainty); Square Dance, 11-0 (Parfrement); Meadowcroft, 11-0 (Newbrook); Sealby, 11-0 (J. W. Earl); Regal, 11-0 (Reardon); Toadstone, 11-0 (Hawkins); Golden Horde, 11-0 (B. Roberts); My Birthday, 11-0 (F. Brown); Sky Close, 11-0 (Lawrence).

(Winner trained by Tabor.)

Betting—2 to 1 agst. QUEL BONHEUR, 9 to 2 Michigan, 6 to 1 Theseus, 7 to 1 Squire Bruce, 8 to 1 Toadstone, 10 to 1 Square Dance, 100 to 8 Martinmas, 100 to 6 bar seven.

Won by three-quarters of a length; half a length separated the second and third. Theseus was fourth, Square Dance fifth, Wolfaline last. Squire Bruce did not complete the course.

12.45.—THE CLUB SELLING STEEPLECHASE of £50. Two miles and 100 yards. (Started at 12.45.)

Mr. D. Benjamin's ch. g. **NEWRY** by Abercorn—Cissy Gay, a, 11-10 ......Hawkins 1
Mr. E. Holland's **COMFORT** a, 12-3 ......I. Anthony 2
Mr. W. Lea's **FORTUNE BAY**, a, 12-3 ......A. Newey 3

Also ran—Lynch Pin, a, 12-3 (Mr. J. R. Anthony); Gunbird, a, 12-3 (Mr. H. S. Harrison).

(Winner trained by Hyams.)

Betting—2 to 1 each agst. NEWRY and Comfort, 3 to 1 Lynch Pin, 6 to 1 Fortune Bay, 10 to 1 Gunbird.

Won by five lengths; three lengths separated the second and third. Gunbird fell.

The number of Les Ormes (S. Avila) was hoisted, and remained on the board several minutes before being withdrawn.

The winner was not sold.

1.15.—THE SATURDAY SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of £50. Two miles. (Started at 1.15.)

Mr. J. Baylis's b. g. **CAROL SINGER** by Thrush—Komm Carlinchen, a, 11-3 ......Mr. H. S. Harrison 1
Mr. T. McAlpine's **IF IT**, 4, 10-10 ......C. Hawkins 2
Mr. J. Hallick's **WHIPPOORWILL**, 4, 10-7 ......Dainty 3

Also ran—King's Cure, a, 11-7 (F. Lyall); Mogador, 6, 11-5 (Flannery); Mofat, 4, 10-11 (Dale); Verney, a, 12-7 (Owner); Idlewild, 5, 11-4 (Reardon); Kingswood, a, 11-4 (W. Fitton); Accipiter, 6, 10-13 (Lancaster); Polacre, 4, 10-9 (E. Driscoll).

(Winner trained by Rogers.)

Betting—9 to 4 agst. If It, 5 to 1 each CAROL SINGER and Whippoorwill, 6 to 1 Mofat, 8 to 1 Mogador, 10 to 1 Idlewild, 100 to 7 any other.

Won by two lengths; eight lengths separated the second and third. Mogador was fourth, Mofat fifth, and King's Cure last. Lady Katrine (Smallpiece) was withdrawn.

The winner was bought in for 55 gns.

1.45.—THE CASTLE HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £100. Two miles and 100 yards. (Started at 1.46.)

Mr. H. Wernher's ch. g. **BRUCE** by Lochryan—Poor Fur, a, 10-2 ......Dainty 1
Mr. H. Hartigan's **MERIDIAN** a, 12-0 ......Owner 2
Mrs. H. Hollins's **HANNIBAL**, a, 10-10 ......Mr. F. A. Brown 3

Also ran—Sensitive Symons, 6, 12-4 (I. Anthony); Royal Canal, a, 10-7 (Avila); Cottage Maiden, 6, 12-3 (T. Hulme); Balliccarroona, a, 12-2 (Mr. H. S. Harrison); Vermouth, 6, 11-12 (Reardon); Noah, a, 11-11 (Parfrement); Tweedledum, a, 11-10 (Walkington); Bordogne, a, 10-0 (J. W. East); Limerock, 6, 11-11 (W. J. Smith).

(Winner trained by Hallick.)

Betting—6 to 4 agst. Hannibal, 7 to 1 each Sensitive Symons, Meridian, and Royal Canal, 8 to 1 each Limerock, Noah, and BRUCE, 100 to 7 any other.

Won by three-quarters of a length; five lengths separated the second and third. Royal Canal was fourth, Limerock fifth, and Sensitive Symons last.

2.15.—THE ENGLEFIELD HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of £50. Two miles. (Started at 2.16.)

Mr. F. Wilmot's ch. h. **RESPONSIBLE**, by Jason—Betrothal, a, 10-3 ......Dale 1
Mr. F. Watts' **GRAYLING IV.** a, 10-7 ......W. Earl 2
Mr. H. Bottomley's **BUNCH O' KEYS** a, 10-13 ......J. Dillon 3

Also ran:—Londerry, a, 12-1 (I. Anthony); Roy Hamilton, 5, 11-0 (W. Fitton); Angus, 5, 11-10 (W. Hives); Screamer, 5, 11-6 (Owner); Catiline, 11-4 (Mr. H. S. Harrison); Bath, a, 10-13 (J. Killalee); Son o' Melton, 5, 10-13 (L. Butchers); Spearman, 6, 10-10 (C. Hawkins); Jeanie, 4, 10-2 (Dainty); Ricochet, a, 10-3 (Driscoll).

(Winner trained by Fitton.)

Betting—7 to 4 agst. Roy Hamilton, 9 to 2 Screamer, 5 to 1 Son o' Melton, 8 to 1 Bunch o' Keys, 10 to 1 each RESPONSIBLE and Ricochet, 100 to 8 bar six.

Won by three lengths; eight lengths separated second and third. Son o' Melton was fourth, Londerry fifth, Roy Hamilton next, and Jeanie last.

2.45.—THE BURNHAM STEEPLECHASE of £80. Weight for age. Three miles. (Started at 2.45.)

Lord Suffolk's ch. g. **GENERAL FOX**, by Shamrock or Telesinus—Pet Vixen, a, 11-8 ......A. Aylin 1
Sir Hugh de Trafford's **BRINAUGH** a, 11-8 ......Piggott 2
Lady Nelson's **ALLY SLOPER**, a, 11-8 ......Mr. J. R. Anthony 3

Also ran—Irish Mail, a, 11-13 (W. J. Smith).

(Winner trained by Hartigan.)

Betting—7 to 2 on Irish Mail, 8 to 1 each agst. GENERAL FOX and Drinaugh, 10 to 1 Ally Sloper.

Won by five lengths; twelve lengths separated second and third. Irish Mail fell, but was remounted, and fell again.

SPORTING PARAGRAPHS.

Mr. H. S. Harrison was seen to advantage in the saddle at Windsor on Saturday, steering two winners in Newry and Carol Singer.

Mint Master won the Island Hurdle Race at Windsor on Friday in the name and colours of Mr. Horatio Bottomley, who subsequently bought the horse in.

Inquiries on Saturday at the King Edward VII. Hospital, Windsor as to the condition of D. McKenna, who was badly injured by the fall of Bolivar in the Maiden Hurdle Race on Friday, elicited that he had recovered consciousness, and was progressing favourably.

After S. Avila had weighed out for Les Ormes for the Club Selling Steeplechase on Saturday the horse was found to be amiss, and his number was withdrawn by permission of the Stewards. An almost similar case was that of Lady Katrine, for whom Smallpiece weighed out in the Saturday Selling Hurdle, the mare's number not being withdrawn until nearly starting time.

Irish Mail besmirched his character as a safe fencer by making two mistakes in the Burnham Steeplechase at Windsor on Saturday. He was several lengths clear of his opponents when he landed short at the water. Remounted, he went in pursuit of his field, but appeared to get under the guard rail of the succeeding obstacle, which is the first open ditch. Irish Mail remained on the ground for such a length of time that it looked as if he must have seriously injured himself, but he walked back to the paddock apparently none the worse for the mishap.

ENGLISH RACING FIXTURE FOR THIS WEEK.

January 21 and 22—Gatwick.

TRAINING INTELLIGENCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

THE CURRAGH, Saturday.

A fine morning.

DAWSON'S Cindery, Cirrhosis, Roseveen, and Harry Ford galloped a mile and a half; Bachelor's Fiasco and Bachelor's Image six furlongs; Hill of Allen, Carnisle, Handfast, and Ballyhandy a mile; Naval Lass, Noham, and Forest Guard five furlongs; Lady Prim a mile and a quarter; Bachelor's Diamond, and the two-year-olds four furlongs; The Same Again, Poudre, and others had healthy exercise.

DUNNE'S Knockrobin travelled a mile and a quarter; La Paloma and the two-year-olds four furlongs; Courtes Belle, Captive Princess, and others had healthy exercise.

DOYLE'S Silk Sail, Safe Guide, Perria filly, Little May II. colt; MILLER'S Falkland had healthy exercise.

ANTHONY'S Captain Harry, Pameline, Falaises, Sequoyah, Pemberton, and Fitz Orb six furlongs.

COURSING.

NORTH KILDARE MEETING—SATURDAY.

Judge—Mr. J. Wynne. Slipper—P. Norton. Hon. Secretary—Mr. E. S. Dowling.

HALVERSTOWN STAKES—For sixteen puppies. Winner, £14; second, £6; two dogs, £1 each.

III.
Hornet's Choice beat Sym.
Flying Boy beat Young McGrath (1).

IV.
Mr. T. Harte ns. bd. b. Hornet's Choice (Dendraspis—Hob Law) and Mr. P. Flynn's bk. d. Flying Boy (Heavy Brigade—Flying Girl) divided.

NAAS CUP—For fourteen all-ages. Winner, £13 and Cup; second, £5; two dogs, £2 each.

III.
Ra Ru beat Beckay's Brigade.
Flying Beauty III. beat Rockbellew.

IV.
Mr. P. Flynn's w. bk. b. Flying Beauty III. (Bradawl—Gaysfield) beat Mr. W. Prendergast's bk. b. Ra Ru (Bold Bedouin—Coolagh Belle).

NEWHALL STAKES—For twenty-four all ages. Winner, £14; second, £5; third, £2; three dogs, £1 each.

II. (Continued.)
Rodolfo beat Hush Alanna (1).

III.
Noiseless beat Hidden Fox.
Bouncing Boy IX. beat Best Brand III.
Rodolfo beat Glentraana.

IV.
Noiseless beat Bouncing Boy IX.
Rodolfo, a bye.

V.
Mr. John Healy's bk. b. Noiseless (Duffer—Donard Lass) beat Mr. R. F. Tynan's f. d. Rodolfo (Earl's Court—Lawful Love).

The second day's coursing at Kildare was well up to the standard of the previous day, the trials being again of a most genuine stamp. Only twelve courses were required to finish the card, and though hares did not come to hand so readily as on Friday, the proceedings were completed in ample time to allow visitors to catch the early trains home. As anticipated, Mr. P. Flynn, of Killocan, carried off most of the spoils, his Flying Boy dividing the Puppy Stakes with Mr. T. Harte's Hornet's Choice, and his Flying Beauty III. winning the Naas Cup. The latter greyhound again gave two stylish displays, never leaving the issue in doubt in either spin, and her only stiff encounter was when she met Gay Laura in the first round on Friday. In that course she had little in hand half-way through, but pulled it off through her superior stamina. Before coursing was resumed the Stewards decided that, as a mistake had occurred the previous day, when Roseate Dawn II. was given the flag against Bouncing Boy IX., to ask the judge to look at the two dogs and say which had won. The judge gave the course to the latter, who, in consequence, went to slips against Best Brand III. in the third round, but after winning this course was put out by Noiseless, who, in the decider, easily accounted for Rodolfo.

DUNSHAUGHLIN CLUB MEETING—THIS DAY.

Judge—Mr. M. F. Davin. Slipper—J. J. O'Shea. Hon. Sec.—Mr. P. Everard.

THE DRAW.

BONESTOWN STAKES—For 12 puppies. Winner, £14; second, £6; third, £2 10/-.

Mr. D. Hayes's Kathleen's Pride agst. Mr. T. Everard's Just Time.
Mr. J. Fagan ns. Molly Dear V. agst. Mr. W. Sweeney ns. Lady Black III.
Mr. M. Carberry ns. Silvia III. agst. Mr. D. O'Leary's Chance III.
Mr. P. Allen ns. Cranwell agst. Mr. J. Niblock's Nitre.
Mr. P. Allen ns. Crelo agst. Mr. L. Rooney's Just in Time.
Mr. W. O'Flaherty's Telephone Boy agst. Mr. H. Leader's Cigar Box.

TREVITT STAKES AND BALL OF FINGALL CUP—For 12 all-ages. Winner, £17; second, £8; third, £3.

Mr. T. J. Cosgrave's Flying Kop agst. Mr. G. Irwin's Warpath II.
Mr. T. Duffy ns. I.O.U. II. agst. Mr. T. Wilson's Shadow Man.
Marquis Conyngham's Harvest Bells agst. Mr. P. J. Carr ns. Tomahawk.
Miss Hope Johnstone's Adversaria agst. Mr. J. S. Griffin's Crepe.
Mr. H. Leader's Cheery Boy agst. Mr. J. F. White's Rattleaway II.
Miss Hope Johnstone's Golden Guineas agst. Mr. P. Everard's Crockafotha II.

FOXHOUNTERS' CUP (presented by Meath Hunt Club)—For 10 all-ages. Winner, £8; second, £4; third, £1 10/-.

Mr. L. Rooney's Mayfly XI. agst. Mr. T. Gogan's Mount Granville.
Mr. W. Duffy's Busaco's Fancy agst. Mr. D. M'Carthy's Just Return.
Mr. J. Duffy's Wee Molly agst. Mr. W. Quaile's Change of a Pound.
Mr. C. Ennis's Intensely Hot agst. Mr. T. Gogan's Tom the Liar.
Mr. P. Duffy's Gentle Rose agst. Mr. T. J. Cosgrave's New Kop.

Meet at Trevitt at 9 o'clock; first brace in slips at 9.30 sharp.

FOOTBALL.

RUGBY.

10th ROYAL DUBLIN FUSILIERS v. WELSH HORSE AND GLAMORGAN REGIMENT.

Welsh Horse .... 14 points.
10th R.D.F. .... Nil.

Played at the Phœnix Park on Saturday. The Welshmen showed superiority from the opening, and Millett early set the backs going, Thomas being almost over when he was forced into touch. The Dublin Fusiliers rallied for a time, but from a movement started at the centre Roberts got over for an unconverted try for the Welshmen. Later Wilson added another try, the kick again failing, and a third score soon followed, Lewis sending Thomas over. In the second half the Dublin Fusiliers put up a better fight; but failed to score, whereas Roberts got a try for the Welshmen, and Thomas converted. Teams:—

10th R.D.F.—Davidson; Pte. Anderson, Second Lieut. Mount, Second Lieut. Cox, Lance-Corp. Rauson; Pte. Thompson, Pte. M'Clarty; Sgt. Campbell, Lance-Corp. Gibson, Pte. O'Connell, Pte. Clarke, Pte. Merrick, Second Lieut. P. Connolly, Second Lieut. T. Wilson, Second Lieut. G. T. Hamlet.

Welsh Horse and Glamorgan Regiment—Williams; Thomas, Roberts, Wilson, Jones; Millett, Lewis; Roderick, Owen, Dale, Marsden, John, Emmett, Taylor, Hilbard.

Result:—
Welsh Horse—1 goal and 3 tries (14 points).
10th R.D.F.—Nil.

ASSOCIATION.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS.

St. James's Gate achieved a surprising victory in the Leinster Senior League Competition on Saturday at St. James's Park, when they defeated Bohemians by two goals to one, a reverse that practically puts the losers out of the running for the championship, and paves the way for the ultimate success of Shelbourne. In the Intermediate Cup Frankfort and Shamrock Rovers qualified for the next round, the first-named defeating Chapelizod at West Park by a clear goal; while the Rovers, at Shelbourne Park, prevailed over Strandville, who, failing to play to anything approaching their usual form, were beaten by 2-0.

IRISH INTERMEDIATE CUP—SECOND ROUND.			
Frankfort	1	Chapelizod	0
Shamrock Rovers	2	Strandville	0
LEINSTER SENIOR LEAGUE—DIVISION I.			
St. James's Gate	2	Bohemians	1
LEINSTER SENIOR LEAGUE—DIVISION II.			
Y.M.C.A.	4	Jacobs	1
Bohemians B	5	Trojans	0
BELFAST CUP COMPETITION.			
Linfield	3	Belfast United	1
Distillery	2	Glenavon	1
Glentoran	3	Cliftonville	1
STEEL AND SONS' CUP—FINAL.			
Linfield Swifts	2	Glentoran 2nd	0
IRISH JUNIOR CUP—SECOND ROUND.			
C.Y.M.S.	5	Grangegorman	2
Richmond Asylum	2	Frankfort 2nd	1
G.S. and W.R.	w.o.	Meathville	scr.
Olympia	2	Avonmore	2
Willowfield United	2	Stanley	0
Oldpark	5	Trinity	0
Glenara	2	Summerfield	1
St. Peter's Swifts	2	St. Mary's	1
South Belfast	2	Glencairn	0
Bloomfield	4	Seaview	1
Crusaders	5	Rockmount	2
LEINSTER JUNIOR LEAGUE.			
Midland Athletic	5	United Trades	0
ATHLETIC UNION LEAGUE.			
C.Y.M.S.	1	Jacobs	1
Grangegorman	4	Y.M.C.A.	0
Olympia	1	Glasnevin	1

CROSS-CHANNEL RESULTS.

LANCASHIRE SECTION.			
Blackpool	2	Burnley	1
Bury	4	Stockport County	1
Everton	2	Bolton Wanderers	1
Manchester United	4	Preston N.E.	0
Manchester City	2	Oldham Athletic	1
Rochdale	3	Liverpool	1
Southport Central	1	Stoke	1
MIDLAND SECTION.			
Barnsley	2	Leeds City	1
Bradford City	5	Derby County	0
Grimsby Town	1	Lincoln City	0
Huddersfield Town	2	Notts County	1
Leicester Fosse	2	Bradford	1
Notts Forest	4	Hull City	1
Sheffield United	1	Sheffield Wednesday	1
LONDON COMBINATION.			
Croydon Common	2	Brentford	2
Millwall	1	West Ham United	0
Tottenham Hotspurs	1	Watford	0
Crystal Palace	3	Clapton Orient	2
Queen's Park Rgrs.	1	Fulham	0
Chelsea	6	The Arsenal	0
SOUTH-WESTERN COMBINATION.			
Bristol City	4	Southampton	0
Cardiff City	1	Swindon	0
SCOTTISH LEAGUE.			
Airdrieonians	1	Hamilton	1
Ayr United	1	Greenock Morton	0
Clyde	1	Kilmarnock	0
Celtic	3	Hibernians	1
Dundee	2	Rangers	0
Falkirk	1	Third Lanark	1
Hearts	3	St. Mirren	1
Raith Rovers	4	Motherwell	1
Partick Thistle	0	Dumbarton	0
Aberdeen	1	Queen's Park	0

IRISH LEAGUE.

Mr. Wm. Fitzsimmons, President of the Irish League, having resigned from the committee of the Bohemian Club, has also vacated the presidency of the League. At the last meeting of the latter body his resignation was accepted with regret, but it was decided to retain Mr. Fitzsimmons' name on the roll as President for the remainder of the season, and to appoint a substitute to act in that capacity until the next annual meeting.

CITY OF LONDON YEOMANRY v. CO. LONDON SHARPSHOOTERS.

Played on Saturday at the Military grounds, Newbridge, a hard-fought game being won by the City of London Yeomanry by 2 goals to 1.

HOCKEY.

Carragh Infantry v. School of Musketry (Dollymount), on Wednesday, January 19th, 2.30 p.m., at Dollymount. Curragh Infantry—G. O'Rorke (Leinster Regt.); C. T. Fraser (R.M.F.), A. H. Sullivan (R.M.F.); D. P. Warren (R.M.F.), C. A. G. Gamble (Leinster Regt.); D. P. M'Cann (Leinster Regt.); A. O'Connor (R.M.F.), V. Phillips (R.M.F.), J. Dewar (R.M.F.), A. Delap (Leinster Regt.), A. J. Bliss (Leinster Regt.).

POLO.

ALL IRELAND CLUB.

The annual general meeting will be held to-day at 4 o'clock.

BILLIARDS.

INMAN v. GRAY.

CHAMPION INCREASES LEAD.

Pursued by persistent misfortune, Gray fared very badly on Saturday at Leicester square, in his match of 18,000 up, level, for £200, against Inman. In the afternoon the latter scored 1,179 points, at the rate of 58 each innings, against the Australian's figures of 394 and 18, respectively. The principal breaks were 94, 76, 132, 84, 170, 71, 204, 98, and 158 by Inman; and 92 and 55 by Gray. Interval scores:—

Inman (in play) 7,827
Gray 5,895

Gray did a little better in the evening, and averaged 21 for an aggregate of 626, against Inman's statistics of 33 and 831 respectively. The chief compilations were 168, 186, and 142, by Inman; and 120 and 69 by Gray. Closing scores:—

Inman (in play) 8,658
Gray 6,421

LONDON TOURNAMENT.

AIKEN v. FALKINER.

RECORD BREAK BY FALKINER.

Falkiner defeated Aiken in the ninth heat of the tournament by 2,736 points. Continuing an unfinished 553 on Saturday, he established a new personal record by increasing it to 575, his previous best being 535. His other breaks during the afternoon session were 253 and 52, while Aiken put on 61, 141, and 81. Interval scores:—

Falkiner (in play) 7,439
Aiken 4,791

Play at the final session was of fairly even character, Falkiner making breaks of 50, 77, 54, 133, 57, and 173 (unfinished); while Aiken put on 53, 57 (twice), 62 (twice), 60, and 55. Final scores:—

Falkiner (rec. 1,250) 8,000
Aiken 5,262

RAINFALL IN 1915.

AT KILLESHANDRA, 1915.

	Total depth. Inches.	Number of days with .01 or more recorded.
January	3.41	24
February	4.41	20
March	4.95	15
April	2.56	17
May	0.40	2
June	2.88	12
July	3.65	25
August	4.95	20
September	1.76	9
October	3.43	16
November	2.39	*14
December	7.00	24
Total	41.65	198

* Snow and rain. PRUDENCE M. LOUGH.

AT SUMMER GROVE, MOUNTMELLICK.

	Total depth. Inches.	Number of days with .01 or more recorded.
January	4.54	23
February	4.79	23
March	.86	9
April	2.29	14
May	.97	4
June	2.19	11
July	5.00	25
August	2.51	18
September	1.59	12
October	4.36	18
November	3.01	12
December	5.87	25
Total	37.78	201

W. A. ROBINSON.

AT DUNMANWAY, CO. CORK.

	Total depth. Inches.	Number of days with .01 or more recorded.
January	6.75	25
February	11.10	24
March	1.48	8
April	2.68	13
May	2.91	14
June	3.55	18
July	7.37	21
August	2.71	17
September	5.10	20
October	7.90	19
November	5.15	13
December	10.30	26
Total	67.59	221

This fall is 8.56 inches more than average (59.03) of the last ten years on seven days less than average 226. It is exactly one inch less than 1914, when 68.59 inches fell on 226.

1915 is the fifth year in succession in which the rainfall has exceeded the average of the previous six years by 10 inches or more. From 1905 to 1910 the average was 54 inches. From 1911 the lowest total has been 64.97 inches in 1912, and the average of these five years is 66.77 inches.

There were 15 days in 1915 on which more than one inch fell, and the heaviest fall, 1.96 inches, on November 11th, was succeeded by a fall of .89 inches on the day (November 12) of the great storm from N.E., which uprooted so many trees.

ARTHUR WILSON, Canon.

AT THE GREEN, MALAHIDE.

	Total depth. Inches.	Number of days with .01 or more recorded.
January	1.465	14
February	2.455	16
March	.64	11
April	1.18	13
May	1.46	13
June	2.17	12
July	5.78	24
August	2.15	18
September	.83	10
October	4.385	16
November	3.14	10
December	4.44	21
Total	29.965	178

T. BATEMAN.

AT BLACK HALL, DROGHEDA.

	Total depth. Inches.	Number of days with .01 or more recorded.
January	1.97	14
February	3.14	14
March	0.56	8
April	1.77	12
May	1.15	7
June	1.22	11
July	5.26	24
August	2.93	13
September	1.00	11
October	4.29	14
November	2.03	8
December	3.92	23
Total	29.34	160

G. H. PENTLAND.

AT THE RECTORY, CASTLECONNELL, CO. LIMERICK.

	Total depth. Inches.	Number of days with .01 or more recorded.
January	5.79	23
February	4.31	22
March	1.05	7
April	2.83	13
May	.79	6
June	1.42	10
July	5.92	24
August	2.73	17
September	3.01	15
October	4.05	13
November	4.30	9
December	5.05	20
Total	41.25	182

E. DAVIS.

AT MOUNTRATH.

Mr. B. Bowers writes:—The rainfall at Ballyfin House, Mountrath, Queen's County, for 1915 is 39.61, in which 190 days rain fell. The greatest rainfall in 24 hours was 1st October, in which 1.79 fell. Our rain gauge is situate about 650 feet above sea level.

WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH.

Mrs. E. F. Danby, widow, aged 74, was burnt to death in a fire which broke out in her bedroom at Scarborough on Saturday.

SUICIDE AT LISBURN.

A STRANGE CASE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LISBURN, SATURDAY.

This evening the South Antrim Coroner (Dr. Mussen, J.P.) held an inquest touching the death of a young man named George W. Dorman, who was found shot on the previous night. From the evidence it appeared that the deceased man, who was 21 years of age, had a desire to become a school teacher, and, having passed his preliminary examinations, he entered the Marlborough Training College, Dublin, but at the end of the first term he failed to pass. That was a year ago, since when he had been reserved in his manner. He declined to proceed further with his studies, and started to learn the building trade in his brother's firm. He was last seen alive by his sister at 7.30 on Friday night, when he was going towards the workshop with a lantern. Nothing was thought of that, but as he was not in the house at midnight, Miss Dorman reported his absence to her brother Hugh, and suggested that he might have fallen asleep in the workshop. A search resulted in his body being found there, while beside him was an old pistol. He had apparently put the pistol in his mouth. A note written on the back of a Wimborne recruiting letter was found in his possession, addressed to his elder brother, and containing part of a quotation from "Hamlet"—viz., "Whether 'tis nobler," etc.

The jury found that death was due to shock and hæmorrhage, caused by a pistol shot in the brain, self-inflicted whilst in an unsound state of mind. Deep sympathy was expressed for the deceased man's sisters and brothers.

CHARGE OF MURDER.

At Liverpool on Saturday Herbert Christian (31) was remanded on the charge of the wilful murder of his mother. It was stated that in consequence of a statement made by the prisoner the police visited his home and found Mrs. Christian at the point of death. She died shortly afterwards. The prisoner said he used a hammer, and in reply to the charge stated, "Thank God she's away from all this persecution. God have mercy upon us."

WRECKS AND CASUALTIES.

Lloyd's agent at Calais cables under Friday's date:—"The Dutch steamer Maashaven, from New Orleans for Rotterdam, with maize, which was before reported abandoned near the Galloper Light, the vessel having struck a mine, went ashore six miles east of Calais during Friday night. She is broken in two, and considered a total loss."

Lloyd's report that the chief officer and thirteen of the crew of the Dutch steamer Maashaven, before reported missing, were landed at Deal on Friday night. Seven of the crew, also the body of the captain, were reported aboard the Dutch steamer Princess Juliana.

While attempting to enter the dock at Liverpool during a westerly gale on Saturday, the steamer Boyne, 4,431 tons, went aground near the entrance to Gladstone Dock, and lies in a very exposed position. The Boyne belongs to the Mercantile Steamship Company, London, and sails in the Liverpool-Boston service of the Cunard Line, by whom she is chartered.

BIG FIRE IN CHATHAM BARRACKS.

There was a big blaze in some of the quarters at the Royal Engineers Barracks at Chatham on Saturday night, and the flames were not extinguished until many buildings were destroyed, the damage being estimated at thousands of pounds. The military and naval fire brigades had the help of the dockyard brigade and brigades from the towns of Chatham, Rochester, and Gillingham. The fire broke out in the stables beneath the quarters, but the horses were safely removed.

Insurance at low rates with Phœnix Assurance Co., Ltd., 10-12 Trinity street, Dublin—J. B. Warner, Manager. Agents everywhere.—(01034.)

INQUIRY FOR IRISH TINWORK.

The Cork Industrial Development Association says that an inquiry for the addresses of Irish makers of 1lb. oval sausage tins and 7lb. brawn tins has reached it. A London firm engaged in the pressed beef trade invites quotations for large quantities of both tins. Irish firms competent to supply such tins will be put in touch with the London company on applying to the Secretary of the Cork Industrial Development Association.

DEATH OF A FAMOUS HACKNEY HORSE.

The famous Hackney horse, Rosador, who won the London championship three times, has died at Kirkburn Manor, Driffield, aged 24 years. Rosador was the sire of over 300 winners at the London Hackney Show, including eleven champions and eight reserve champions.

PHARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY OF IRELAND.

Pharmaceutical Licence Examination—John Healy, Drogheda; Patrick Joseph Rice, Fermoy; Patrick O'Neill, Athenry; James Arthur Potter, Dublin; Philip Joseph Fox, Kells, Co. Meath; and John Corcoran, Ballingarry, Co. Tipperary, passed with honours. The following also passed:—Johanna Agnes Murphy, Mitchelstown, and Thomas Gleeson, Bruff, equal; Michael James Mullan, Armagh; James Kilpatrick Yorke, Newtownstewart. Seven candidates were rejected.

Registered Druggist Examination—The following have passed:—Patrick Joseph O'Meara, Galbally, and Samuel Aaron Rosenthal, Dublin.

Pharmaceutical Assistant Examination.—The following have passed:—Timothy M'Sweeney, Inchigeela, Co. Cork, and George Walsh Sleator, Kilkenny. Two candidates were rejected.

CONVALESCENT HOME, STILLORGAN.—A weekly meeting of the Admission Committee was held on Saturday last at 5 Molesworth street, at which were present Mr. William Perrin (in the chair) and Dr. Hardman. One woman and five men were admitted to the Home. The Matron reported that one had left the Home since last admission day, that one was recommended for a prolonged stay, and that there are twenty-nine in the Home at present.

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Admission by ticket only, price 2/6 for the Course, obtainable from the Registrar at the College, who will also send a syllabus on application.

A Class for Map-work and Discussion will be held before each Lecture, from 4 to 4.30 p.m., without additional fee, for those who can attend, commencing on JANUARY 25th.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION FOR IRELAND.
SALMON FISHERIES.
NO. 17½ OR DROGHEDA DISTRICT.
BY-LAW.

By-Law dated the 25th day of March, 1915, and approved by the Lord Lieutenant and Privy Council in Ireland, on the 26th day of October, 1915, Prohibiting to use, for the capture of Salmon or Trout, in the No. 17½ or Drogheda District, before the 12th day of May in each year, any Draft Net or Seine Net with a mesh of less size than two-and-one-quarter inches from knot to knot, to be measured along the side of the square, or nine inches, to be measured all round each such mesh, such measurements being taken in the clear when the Net is wet.

The Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction for Ireland hereby give notice that copies of the above approved By-Law have been lodged with the Clerks of the Peace for the Counties of Cavan, Dublin, Kildare, Louth, Meath, and Westmeath, and King's County; and with the Clerks of Petty Sessions for the Districts of Bailieborough, Ballyjamesduff, Mullagh, and Virginia (County Cavan), Balbriggan (County Dublin), Carbury and Donadea (County Kildare), Edenderry, Fahy, and Philipstown (King's County), Collon, Drogheda, Dunleer, Mell, and Termonfeckin (County Louth), Athboy, Ballivor, Crossakiel, Duleek, Dunshaughlin, George's Cross, Julianstown, Kells, Longwood, Moynalty, Navan, Oldcastle, Slane, Summerhill, and Trim (County Meath) and Castlepollard, Clonmellon, Collinstown, Delvin, Killucan, Mullingar, Rochfort, and Tyrrellspass (County Westmeath); also with the Royal Irish Constabulary and Coast Guard at the different stations in the several localities; and copies of the said approved By-Law can be purchased from the Clerks of the Peace and Clerks of Petty Sessions, aforesaid, and at this Office, at a cost not exceeding one shilling for each copy.

T. P. GILL, Secretary.
Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, Dublin.
13th day of November, 1915.

IRISH CHURCH MISSIONS
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ANNUAL PRAYER MEETING
Will (D.V.) be held
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THIS (MONDAY) AFTERNOON,
At 4.0 p.m.

An Address will be delivered by the Rev. CANON HEMPHILL, D.D.
All friends of God's work in Ireland are earnestly invited to be present.

METHODIST LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT IN IRELAND.
Dr. T. PERCY WIGFIELD, M.B., B.S.
(Of the Wesleyan Mission House, London),
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In the LECTURE HALL of the METHODIST CHURCH, LR. ABBEY ST., THIS EVENING, on "THE NEED AND VALUE OF MEDICAL MISSIONS." Chair to be taken at 7.45 p.m. by EDWARD MITCHELL, Esq., J.P.

NOTICE OF CHANGE OF NAME.

I, HELEN CONSTANCE HEATON THOMAS, of Kindleston, Delgany, in the County of Wicklow, Wife of the Reverend Edwyn Heaton Thomas, do hereby give Notice that I have assumed, and intend henceforth upon all occasions and at all times hereafter, to sign and use and to be called and known by my former surname of NORMAN-THOMPSON, in lieu of and in substitution for my present surname of Heaton Thomas, and that such intended change and assumption of name is formally declared and evidenced by a Deed Poll under my hand and seal, dated the day, and intended to be forthwith enrolled in the Judgment Record and Writ Office of the Supreme Court of Judicature, Ireland.

In testimony hereof I do hereto sign and subscribe myself by such my intended future name.

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Dated this 6th day of January, 1916.
A. and L. GOODBODY, Solicitors for the Liquidator, 30 College green, Dublin.

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To-day	Rise	8 7	Sets	4.13
To-morrow	"	8. 6	"	4.14

ARRANGEMENTS FOR TO-DAY.

Theatre Royal—Pictures, "Jane Shore," 2.30 p.m.; Hippodrome, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Gaiety Theatre—"Dick Whittington," 7.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre—"Forty Thieves," 7.45 p.m.
Empire Theatre—"Cinderella," 6.40 and 9 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre—7 and 9 p.m.
Coliseum Theatre—6.45 and 9 p.m.
Rotunda Pictures, 3, 6.45, and 9 p.m.
Princess Cinema, Rathmines—3 to 10.30 p.m.
Bohemian Picture Theatre, Phibsborough—3 to 10.30.
Carlton Cinema, Upper Sackville street—3.30 to 10.30.
George's Hall, South Great George's street—Fisk Jubilee Trio Concert, 8 p.m.
City Sessions, 11 a.m.
Dublin Corporation—Adjourned Meeting, 1 p.m.
Royal Dublin Society—Musical Recital, 4 p.m.
Withdrawal of Education Grants—Meeting, Mansion House, 8 p.m.
Rev. T. S. Finlay's Lecture—Workingmen's Club, 8 p.m.
Lecture by Prof. Cole, "The Theatre of the War"—St. Stephen's Parochial Hall, 8 p.m.
Lecture on "Christian Science"—Abbey Theatre, 8 p.m.
Rev. Chas. O'N. Lawless's Lecture, "Travel Talks on the Balkans"—Town Hall, Kingstown, 8 p.m.
National Literary Society—6 Stephen's Green, 8 p.m.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

All communications intended for publication should be addressed to "The Editor." They should be written on one side only of the paper, and must be authenticated by the name and address of the writer. The Editor cannot undertake to return letters, etc., for which space cannot be found, but will endeavour to do so when stamps are enclosed with them.

The Irish Times.

MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 1916.

The biggest fire that has ever occurred in Norway broke out at Bergen on Saturday, and spread over twenty different quarters of the town. Thousands of persons are homeless, and the damage is said to exceed £2,000,000. No lives were lost.

The King held an Investiture at Buckingham Palace on Saturday. There was a very long list of decorations, and the recipients included seven Victoria Cross heroes.

The main points in the correspondence seized at Falmouth upon Captain von Papen, the German Military *Attaché* at Washington, when on his way to Germany after his recall at the request of the United States Government, are published in New York. They show that von Papen made frequent payments to persons charged with being responsible for explosions at munitions works in America. His cheque book counterfoils and other documents contain entries of five hundred items, many of which have to do with routine expenditure, but others show payments to various persons who figured prominently in the activities of German agents in America. The seized letters include one from General von Bernhardi written in April last.

At Liverpool on Saturday Lord Derby said if the group scheme had not been adopted there would before now have been unlimited compulsion. The Compulsion Bill was only being opposed to cause delay. Sir John Simon was not in principle opposed to compulsion, as he urged it in its worst form in order to keep time-expired men with the Colours. He (Lord Derby) would get everybody possible to join before the voluntary system definitely ended. There was an uneasy feeling that we permitted more things to enter Germany than the Navy desired. If the Government had no great reason for allowing this, they ought to stop it.

A "stop the war" demonstration in a Brotherhood church in Kingsland district of London was last night broken up by civilians and soldiers.

Mr. W. C. Anderson, M.P., one of the Labour leaders, was refused a hearing at an anti-conscription meeting in Sheffield. The uproar lasted an hour and a half.

To-day the price of bread in Belfast will be advanced by ½d. per 4lb. loaf, making the cost of the 2lb. loaf 4½d. The Wholesale Milk Suppliers' Association in that city have recommended an advance of 2d. per gallon in the price of milk.

Business on the London Stock Exchange on Saturday was not brisk, and price movements were irregular. Consols fell ⅛ to 57⅞. The Foreign market was almost at a standstill. Home Rails were steady, but transactions were few, and Americans were assisted by better Wall street cables. Rubbers were steady, Oils uncertain, and Mines subdued. In the Money market loans were in good supply. Call money was quoted at 4½ per cent., but the general rate was 4 to 4½ per cent. The Discount market was steady, but without material change in quotations. Two months' drafts were posted at 5 to 5 1-16 per cent., and three months' at 5 1-16 to 5¼ per cent.

A National Policy.

Among the many signs of an increasing purpose in the country the creation of War Committees on both sides of the House of Commons is not the least encouraging. The Unionist Committee was formed less than a fortnight ago, with the object of supporting a vigorous prosecution of the war. Its Chairman is Sir Edward Carson, and it is now certain that, in this strictly unofficial capacity, he will soon be the leader of a large majority of the Unionist Party in the House. The Liberals were quick to follow the Unionist example: nearly all shades of Liberal and Radical opinion are represented in the Committee of which Sir Frederick Cawley is Chairman. The two Committees have a common purpose, and will co-operate freely. They will support the Government so long as it follows the lines of their "national policy"—which is the winning of the war. This development would not merely have been impossible before the war; it would have been impossible six months ago. Since that date the country has found itself, and now the House of Commons is beginning to find itself. Not so long ago the party spirit was rife within and without the Cabinet. Now the voice of the country has suppressed it, and may soon banish it altogether. The Government has learned at last to trust the people, and it is hardly too much to say that, as a result, the people has taken charge of the war. Its response to the Prime Minister's demand for the sacrifice of compulsion has routed a thousand misconceptions and timidities. Mr. Redmond, for instance, has discovered that he was completely mistaken about the temper of that "British democracy" whose psychology has been the study of half his life-time. The people means to win the war, and is ready to make all necessary sacrifices; but it will not tolerate any more bungling or insincerity. The recognition of this fact by our politicians is the explanation of the new War Committees. The Government can reckon on their support for all vigorous and well-considered action in every field of war. It will have to count upon their candid criticism of all action or inaction that betrays weakness or want of courage. If these two parties live up to the spirit and letter of their "national policy," there will be fewer ghastly mistakes in our diplomacy; we shall see more co-ordination and foresight in the Allied operations; a mistaken tenderness for the feelings of neutrals will cease to rob us of the richest fruits of our command of the sea. If it be true that the United States Government, under pressure from Germany, intends once more to question the legality of our blockade, the influence of the two War Committees may be exerted to the highest national advantage. A Government that is not inherently strong may be made strong by a lively respect for the nation's will. If these Committees had existed at the time when Sir Edward Carson made his first protest against the abandonment of Serbia, King Peter and King Nicholas might be reigning to-day in their unconquered capitals.

It may be, however, that the best work of the Unionist and Liberal War Committees will not be done until the war draws near its close. In his speech at the Constitutional Club last week Sir Edward Carson sketched the outlines of the new national policy. It means not only the sternest employment of our full resources against Germany and the strict suppression of all domestic conflict; it means also purpose and power to secure a complete and lasting victory. The war may drain the Empire's strength almost to exhaustion. It may exact an even heavier toll of the country's manhood than it has yet claimed. A time will come when Germany will be ready to acknowledge defeat on terms which would leave her not wholly broken. The Government may be tempted to accept such terms for the sake of avoiding further expense and bloodshed. There will be a party in the country—not large, perhaps, but vociferous—which will clamour for such a peace, and will be able to put some pressure on the Cabinet. The most insidious influence of all will be that of the neutral nations. Germany has raised the manipulation of neutral opinion to a fine art, and her failing hand will pull a hundred strings in the capitals of the old and new worlds. Our Cabinet will be overwhelmed with arguments—moral, political, and humanitarian—against "the humiliation of a great people." We do not suggest that it will succumb to such arguments, but only a strong expression of the national will can guarantee the country absolutely against so grave a danger. A first article of the national policy is that the war must be fought to a decisive end. There must be no premature peace. We must fulfil the last letter of our pledges to the little Kingdoms whose existence depends upon our honour. We must dictate our own terms to Germany, and must decide when, if ever, she is to be re-admitted to the community of civilised nations. Only on these terms can we have payment for our unparalleled sacrifices, and only these terms will secure the peace of Europe for at least a generation. In this matter the new National Party may exercise an authority that will not only leave its mark on the destinies of the Empire, but, after the war, will raise the whole standard of our domestic politics to a higher plane.

The Shakespeare Tercentenary.

Easter Sunday this year falls on April 23rd, a day of remarkable associations. It is the feast of St. George, England's patron saint, and it is also the death-day (and, as some believe, the birthday also) of England's national poet. On April 23rd, 1916, Shakespeare will have been dead exactly three hundred years, and it might have been thought that a proposal to celebrate the occasion by a national demonstration in his honour would be received with universal acclamation. But the English are a strange people, very hard to bring into union even on such a subject as this. An almost violent controversy is raging in some of the papers as to the propriety of the proposed celebration, and the opponents of it are almost as numerous as the advocates. The broad ground of objection taken by some of the non-contents is that, while the country is at war, all such demonstrations are out of place. Shakespeare can wait, they say, until after the war, when we shall be in a better position, temperamentally and financially, to do his memory justice. With all respect to these objectors, whose opinions we share to some extent, we would point out that there are other aspects of the case to be considered. Shakespeare can wait, but his tercentenary cannot. If we let this year go by, we shall not be able to arouse in 1917 or 1918 that particular kind of interest which a tercentenary creates in a certain class—and a very large class—of mind. A postponed celebration will be for the *cognoscenti*; to be really national it must take place this year. Moreover, if we delay our celebration until the war is ended, we shall miss the opportunity of linking together the tribute to Shakespeare and the prosecution of the war in a way that should redound to the success of both our aims. We can imagine nothing better calculated to stir the blood of the people than the recitation on Easter Monday, say, by skilled elocutionists of some of the many famous passages in which Shakespeare at once extols the past achievements of his countrymen and urges them to emulate the glories of their fathers.

There is another class of objectors, whose opposition to the celebration is not particular, but general. They say that we have no right to celebrate the fame of Shakespeare at his tercentenary because we have so shamefully neglected him during the previous three hundred years. Of these is Mr. William Poel, who has certainly done as much as any man now living to keep Shakespeare's memory green. Assuming that there will be no celebration, he is thankful, he tells us, that it will not be necessary to go through the form of showing special honour to one who in recent years has received no honour in the theatres of his own country. If Shakespeare were, as Mr. Poel seems to suggest, purely a poet of the theatre, we should be rather inclined to agree with his lament. The languishing of the national theatre project is certainly no credit to us, though there are reasons, into which we need not now enter, that explain, if they do not excuse, the national apathy in regard to it. Equally with Mr. Poel, we deplore the neglect and maltreatment of Shakespeare by the theatre managers. The latter will retort, however, that, after all, they must live, and that, if the public will not come to see Shakespearean plays unless they are gorgeously mounted and dressed—and not always then—it is not their fault if they do not often take the risk of producing them. Shakespeare is, however, much more than a poet of the theatre. His marvellous works would remain the delight and the pride of his fellow-countrymen if every theatre in the Kingdom were burned down to-morrow and never rebuilt. He reads as well as he plays: in the opinion of a good many of his most reverent admirers he reads better than he plays, since there are very few actors whose intellectual and elocutionary equipment is equal to the delivery of his wonderful blank-verse in such a way as to bring out its full meaning and beauty. Occasionally one finds an actor like Sir J. Forbes-Robertson whom nature seems to have expressly designed to play such a character as Hamlet; but it may be questioned whether even he has done so much to bring out the full meaning of the poet as did the late Samuel Brandram, the reciter. The glory of Shakespeare is that he does not require, though he rewards, such interpreters. His genius shines through, and triumphs over, the most inefficient rendering. There are hundreds of little Shakespeare societies scattered up and down the country, whose members are for the most part painfully inefficient when judged by the most moderate standard; yet they derive the utmost joy from their painful stumbling through the plays. It is they, and many thousands more whose knowledge of the poet is confined to reading the printed word in their studies, who ought to decide whether the tercentenary should be celebrated. We have no doubt what their decision will be.

Floods in Holland.

Where King Canute's majesty failed, Dutch enterprise and industry have conquered. For nine centuries, at least, the contest between the natural forces of the sea and the mechanical forces directed by man has been waged along the coast of Holland. Sometimes the sea defeats the purpose of the great dykes built to stem it, and strikes dread into the sturdy hearts of the people whose homes are plots stolen from the sea's province. One such revolt of ocean has just occurred. For days anxious eyes had watched the waters as they rose, beyond the height at which the dwellers by the coast might regard them with careless safety. In the dark, early hours of Friday the people of the villages and the little towns in the coast region heard, of a sudden, the bells ring out warning peals. The sea had burst over the dykes. It came with a noise like thunder. In the darkness the people left their houses, and hastened to the places of refuge afforded by small tracts of higher ground. Many of them will never see their houses again, for the flood in its onrush swept away whole buildings, as well as cattle and other belongings. A large part of the northern province of Holland has been flooded. Not for many years has the sea made so disastrous an incursion into the territory won from it by the labour of centuries. The Dutch barriers are now organised in the most scientific manner, and in the last century Holland has added something like 15 *per cent.* to her dimensions. Were the dykes to fail, more than one-third of the whole country would be submerged by an ordinary high tide. It is but rarely that, even by an extraordinary effort, the sea gains so much as a temporary advantage over those who dispute its power.

The Labour Market.

The official review of the labour market in 1915 confirms the general impression as to the facts. In all but a few trades the scarcity of labour was noticed throughout the year. Even in the industries which were "quiet" during the year few of the workers were on short time for very long, as the decrease in their number very nearly balanced the deficiency of work. In those industries concerning which the Board of Trade got returns, the amount paid by way of war bonus was over six hundred thousand pounds per week. This gives an average of three shillings and tenpence *per* head. Retail prices of foodstuffs are 45 *per cent.* above the normal prices of the month immediately preceding the outbreak of war. Not even the great advance in the cost of living indicated by that fact has been sufficient to discount the exceptional prosperity of the working classes in England. Not only has employment been regular, but, owing to the demand for women and youths, in many cases several members of a family are earning good money. As a consequence, the shopkeepers in English industrial districts are doing an exceptional trade in luxuries. To meet the demand for jewellery, for example, manufacturing jewellers have found it worth their while to melt down sovereigns. In Dublin, as everybody knows, the demand for labour has not been quite so remarkable. The lack of employment in the building trades, especially, has hit a great many Dublin workers hard. Munitions work on a large scale has been started later in Dublin than elsewhere, but it has been stated officially that the salary and wages list at the new National Munitions Factory now represents a weekly disbursement of a sum approaching six hundred pounds.

INVESTITURE BY THE KING.

OFFICERS DECORATED.

SEVEN VICTORIA CROSS HEROES.

The investiture held by the King at Buckingham Palace on Saturday was the largest ceremony of its kind which he has undertaken since the beginning of the war.

There was a very long list of candidates for decoration, which included many of those who appeared in the list of New Year honours, but it principally comprised naval and military officers. The ceremony commenced punctually at 11 o'clock, and, in addition to the officials waiting upon His Majesty, there were present the Home Secretary, representing his department; the Duke of Devonshire, attending on behalf of the Admiralty; and the War Office was represented by a number of Staff Officers. Some of the officers bore traces of the service which had won them distinction. A few were lame, and several carried their arms in slings. Among those decorated were a number of police officers and Fire Brigade officers, to whom had been awarded the King's Medal for long or specially meritorious service.

Over four hundred persons received honours altogether. Three Grand Crosses were bestowed. The Hon. Sir Derek Keppel received the Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order, while Sir George Reid, late High Commissioner for Australia, and Sir Robert Chalmers, Governor of Ceylon, each received the Grand Cross of the Bath.

Seven Victoria Cross heroes were decorated by the King, and in their cases a brief record of their services was read to His Majesty. The seven were:—
Commander Unwin, R.N.;
Commander Nasmyth, R.N.;
Captain Vickers,
Lieutenant James,
Lieutenant Maling,
Second Lieutenant Fleming Sandes, and
Lance-Corporal Keyzor.

Commander Edward Unwin won his decoration by great gallantry during the landing on Gallipoli Peninsula. He worked for hours in the water under murderous fire endeavouring to get into position the lighters to form a bridge from the River Clyde to the shore. He personally rescued several wounded men from the water.

Commander Martin E. Nasmyth was in command of the submarine which sunk three Turkish troopships, in addition to other ships in the Sea of Marmora, between May and June last.

Captain Charles Geoffrey Vickers, of the Sherwood Foresters, won his Cross for gallantry at the Hohenzollern Redoubt, when he pluckily held the enemy at bay for some hours with bombs when nearly all the men had been killed or wounded.

Lieutenant Herbert James, Worcester Regiment, won his award in Gallipoli. Acting entirely on his own initiative, he gathered together a body of men and led them forward, under heavy fire, to the relief of a contingent which was sorely pressed.

Lieutenant George Alfred Maling, M.B., serving with the R.A.M.C., collected and treated in the open no fewer than three hundred men under heavy shell fire, working continuously single-handed for over twenty-four hours.

Second Lieutenant James Terence Fleming Sandes, East Surrey Regiment, when sorely pressed, jumped on to a parapet and hurled bombs vigorously at the enemy, being twice severely wounded. His gallant action rallied the men, and saved the situation.

Lance-Corporal Leonard Keyzor, Australian Imperial Force, in an attack on Lone Pine trenches, in Gallipoli, continued throwing bombs after he was wounded, and saved portion of the trench, which it was most important to hold. On another occasion, although marked for hospital, he declined to leave the trench, and volunteered to throw bombs for another company which had lost all its own bomb-throwers. He pluckily continued to do this until the situation had been relieved.

Following his usual custom, the King shook hands with each of the V.C.'s, and said a word or two of cordial congratulations and commendation when pinning on their Crosses.

The King left St. Pancras on Saturday afternoon to continue the process of recuperation in the country.

PRINCE OF WALES AND THE HOUSE OF LORDS.

No surprise will be occasioned, says *Reynolds's Newspaper*, if the Prince of Wales, who will to-day address his fellow-members of the Statutory Committee on War Pensions at St. James's Palace, should take his seat in the House of Lords before he returns to the front.

MR. BIRRELL ON HOPEFULNESS.

The monthly publication of the Robert Browning Settlement in South London contains a number of congratulatory messages received by the Warden, Mr. Stead, on the recent coming of age of the Settlement. Among these is one from Mr. Birrell, who writes:—

"It seems some date long before the Flood that I visited Browning Hall, where you have ever since worked so hard and so prosperously. I hardly thought at the time the idea would thrive so long, but greatly do I rejoice thereat. Modern critics of poetry are, I believe, disposed to find fault with Robert Browning's unfailing and almost boisterous optimism. We must confess it is hard at the moment to believe in human progress, but it would be miserable to desert his faith. He believed in the powers of darkness and the corruption of man's heart, but he also believed in God and the ultimate triumph of righteousness. We must struggle on after him as best we can, and feed our hungry spirits on 'boundless hopes.'"

THE SICK LIST.

Sir Samuel Evans's recovery has been checked by an attack of pleurisy. There was a slight improvement in his condition yesterday.

PORTSMOUTH ELECTION.

Admiral Sir Hedworth Meux was on Saturday returned without opposition for Portsmouth.

HON. E. S. MONTAGU NOT TO BE OPPOSED.

Cambridgeshire Liberal Association on Saturday adopted the Hon. E. S. Montagu as candidate on his appointment as Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster. There will be no opposition by the Unionists.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCK IN ENGLAND.

In the earthquake shock in the Midlands on Friday night houses were shaken in Matlock and Wirksworth, no damage being done.

LONDON CORRESPONDENCE.

153 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
SUNDAY NIGHT.

It is evident from the King's being able to hold a long Investiture that His Majesty must be almost restored to his usual health. The official account of the ceremony, however, gives no indication of his appearance or demeanour. The omission is, to some extent, supplied by the *Observer*, which says that the three weeks' change of air has made a wonderful improvement in his condition. "His Majesty has quite discarded invalid ways, and is able to go about practically as usual. He is still obliged to avoid any unnecessary fatigue, but he can attend to State and private business as he did before his accident." It is also mentioned that, since his return to Buckingham Palace, the King has dined or lunched almost every day at Marlborough House.

Good news comes from the Indian Government at Delhi regarding the operations of General Aylmer's force in Mesopotamia. A day or two ago it was reported from the same source that General Aylmer was held up by bad weather. That was on the 10th. Three days later he was again able to move against the Turkish positions, and by the evening of the 14th had compelled the enemy to retire. Further news is anxiously awaited, as the position of General Townshend's force at Kut-el-Amara is still somewhat precarious. Mr. A. Chamberlain will be asked on Tuesday whether the advance to Bagdad was undertaken with the concurrence of the military advisers of the Home Government or on the sole responsibility of the Indian Government.

An Austrian official report, dated Vienna, January 16th, gives particulars of the desperate fighting which is going on at the South Russian front. While naturally claiming that the Russian attacks were all repulsed, it gives certain details that are not very convincing. It seems hardly likely, for example, that, after all the experience the war has brought them, the Russian commanders would order an attack "in columns twelve to fourteen men deep," or that, if they did so, the Austrians would have to drive them back with the bayonet, instead of mowing them down with machine guns. I expect that the Russian official account, when published, will throw a very different light on the action and its result.

Colonel Maude, in the *Sunday Times*, lays stress upon a technical difficulty which is probably hampering the Germans and Austrians very seriously in their resistance to the Russian attacks. "The bulk of both groups are now miles away from their permanent railway communications, and days, even weeks, must pass before troops, say, from Riga can be sent back into Prussia and thence railed round to the aid of the Austrians. No doubt, the Germans have done all that is physically possible to repair and supplement the broken tracks and bridges which the Russians destroyed in their retreat, but here time is the essence of success, and also these reconstructed lines will not stand traffic at speeds much above five miles an hour continuously."

There is a good deal of substance in the *Messagero's* explanation of Italy's inability to rescue Montenegro from the Austrians. It is, doubtless, true that the defeat of the Serbians was the prime cause of Montenegro's plight, and it was probably the disorganisation consequent on that defeat that prevented the Serbians from taking advantage of such help as Italy was able to send at the last moment.

Montenegro could only have been saved if long ago the Allies had taken the initiative against Austria and had occupied the Gulf of Cattaro and its environs. The *Messagero* darkly hints that the advice of Italy was disregarded at a critical moment by the other Allies, but does not state what the advice was. For that, as for the solution of so many other mysteries, we may have to wait until the conclusion of the war.

The Press Bureau states that, for the convenience of subscribers, it has been arranged that application for 5 *per cent.* Exchequer Bonds, 1920, in denominations of £100 or upwards, will be received, and the Bonds will be issued, by the Bank of Ireland as well as by the Bank of England. Registration of holdings of Exchequer Bonds may also be effected at the Bank of Ireland.

Mr. Handel Booth has been interviewed on the subject of the Liberal War Committee which has been formed to co-operate with the similar Committee on the other side. Incidentally he denounced the notion that the Unionist Committee was the creation of Sir Edward Carson. "The question of the formation of the two bodies with a view to co-operation was discussed while Sir Edward was still in the Cabinet, and he was only chosen as a Chairman because he was the ablest Unionist ex-Minister." Not only will the two Committees co-operate in urging upon the Government a more vigorous prosecution of the war, but they are going to devote special attention to the thirty-nine members who voted against the Military Service Bill, and will concert measures to prevent Sir John Simon and his friends from being again returned to Parliament. It is probable that, if a strong Liberal supporter of the Government were nominated in Walthamstow and supported by the whole strength of the Conservative Party, even the ex-Home Secretary would be defeated. In point of fact, Sir John some time ago announced his intention of standing for a seat in the North.

Mr. Redmond's blunder in opposing the first reading of the Military Service Bill is generally attributed to the bad advice given him by Mr. Dillon, who was under the impression that the Liberal opposition to the Bill was much larger and more influential than it proved to be. Mr. Dillon's settled melancholy was obviously increased when his leader made his recantation and declared that, as British opinion was manifestly in favour of the Bill, he would no longer oppose it. No further substantial obstacles to the passage of the Bill are now expected, and it is probable that it will leave the Commons this week and be rapidly passed by the Lords in the week after. As soon as it is on the Statute Book, but not till then, the Parliament Act Amendment Bill will also be passed by the Upper House, and the way will then be clear for the prorogation. The new Session is expected to begin on February 15th, but, as members and Ministers have recently gone through a fairly strenuous time, I should not be surprised if they were to get another week's respite. The business before Easter will be mainly financial, and, of course, highly important, but it ought not to lead to very prolonged discussions.

Lady Beatrix Wilkinson has been lecturing in London a good deal lately for charitable purposes. At Lady Herbert's house, in Carlton House terrace, last week she gave a lantern-slide lecture showing the experiences of her sister, Lady Muriel Herbert, in Serbia. The pictures were all taken from Lady Muriel's own photographs. The latter is now in Salonika with her hospital unit.

Mr. Trevelyan proposes to ask the Prime Minister to-morrow whether, if the Military Service Bill passes, the Government will promise that no steps will be taken either under the Defence of the Realm Act or otherwise to prevent the holding of meetings or the publication of writings for the purpose of demanding the repeal of the new law or of objecting to any extension of compulsory service.

PANAMA CANAL.

Lloyd's agent at Panama cables, under yesterday's date, as follows:—"Some vessels arrived, others coming, expecting use Canal route, despite warnings. Following official statement issued:—'As transit shipping interferes dredging operations, and stable canal cannot be maintained at present, cannot undertake handle other vessels through Canal until notice of readiness given. Operators warned not send vessels for transit present time.'"

FROM "THE TIMES" OF TO-DAY.

(BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH THE PROPRIETORS OF *THE TIMES*.)

INDEFINITE RESPONSIBILITY.

Amid a good deal of progress [illegible] less satisfactory, though it is the result of outside pressure—the Government, says *The Times*, are again showing signs of backsliding in what we have always held to be the vital matter of their own organisation. We are in serious danger of a recrudescence of the conduct of the war by twenty-two Ministers. Partly through force of circumstances, partly because the better plan never took firm root, and partly because of the tendency of all Governments to slip back into an old routine, the promise of a small War Council is being less and less fulfilled. There is reason to believe that, on two recent occasions [illegible] a purely military question was referred back to the whole twenty-two for decision [illegible] decided against the recommendation of the smaller body. The latter [illegible] ready lapsing into the position [illegible] ing in the name of a Committee rather than a Council. This is by no means the reform which the public were led to expect when Mr. Asquith, after great pressure and long consideration, made his famous announcement of November 2nd, [illegible] need complain that the whole Cabinet was consulted in such a matter as the Military Service Bill, it is high time that there was a definite limitation of the [illegible] flicting authorities which are now trying to carry on the war.

THE VON PAPEN PAPERS.

An account of the papers, says *The Times*, seized at Falmouth upon Captain von Papen, late Military *Attaché* of the German Embassy in Washington, has been published by the Associated Press, and was allowed to appear in this country in the course of Saturday. We trust that it will be promptly followed by the issue of as many as possible of these documents in an official form. They are evidently of considerable value as further illustrations of German diplomatic action in neutral countries and the candour of the statements which the Captain's correspondents make render them amusing. None of those which have appeared so far is so entertaining as some of the papers found on the "strictly impartial" American correspondent, Mr. Archibald, last autumn, but they are even more instructive. Captain von Papen's unlimited contempt for "these idiotic Yankees," whom it has been his business to hoodwink for so long, was proclaimed in a confidential letter in the Archibald papers. The present documents show how widely it is shared, and how openly it is expressed by his colleagues when writing amongst themselves.

LONDON'S AIR DEFENCE.

Various circumstances [illegible] the anniversary of the [illegible] that the Germans are making special and otherwise inexplicable efforts to convince neutrals that London is a fortified town [illegible] imminence of a [illegible] didates make a feature of [illegible] these things [illegible] selves how matters stand. [illegible] ment devoted their time [illegible] in making London as safe from [illegible] Paris, for instance, is reported to be safe. [illegible] the development of our own air service keep pace with that of the enemy [illegible] tion of four of our aeroplanes [illegible] day looks [illegible] like the [illegible] pearance of a faster and more formidable weapon? We hope and believe that [illegible] a temporary [illegible] the Channel [illegible] tion of defending London, if air raids are to be countered [illegible] most important [illegible] the hands of [illegible] he? [illegible] we are [illegible] our blockade [illegible] really thought [illegible] never [illegible] to do it.

"STOP THE WAR" MEETING BROKEN UP.

SCENES IN A CHURCH.

Extraordinary scenes were witnessed last night in the Brotherhood Church, Southgate road, Kingsland, London, North, on the occasion of a "Stop the War" demonstration, to which the public had been freely invited, no tickets being required. Handbills had been distributed bearing the words, "The patriotic motto—Stop the war." The police, foreseeing trouble, were in strength near the church. Advertised speakers, including Mr. C. H. Norman, Mr. S. V. Bracher, Mr. G. Maurice Hann, and Mr. Scott Duckers, mounted a dais, and the first hymn was sung. Then the trouble began. The pastor, Rev. F. R. Swan, read passages from the New Testament bearing on peace, and was understood to say he thought the time had come [illegible] to withdraw from the war. [illegible] Soldiers and civilians [illegible] nounced the chairman [illegible] traitors. Supporters of Mr. [illegible] of the church attempted to [illegible] tion by singing "The Old [illegible] opposition replied with "Keep the [illegible] burning." Then from the gallery [illegible] Chinese crackers, which exploded [illegible] hand-to-hand struggles took [illegible] the floor of the church.

The speakers on the platform [illegible] consultation. The Chairman [illegible] "Hymn No. 3 will be sung." [illegible] plied with "Rule Britannia." [illegible] the meeting could not proceed.

Mr. Norman stood forward and [illegible] thing, presumably the advertised re[illegible] call upon the Government to [illegible] and members of Parliament to refuse [illegible] further supplies. The demonstrators then made a rush to the platform, [illegible] jumping over the pews. In a trice the posters were torn to shreds, and a [illegible] climbed into the gallery and across to the organ, where he tore down a silken banner bearing the one word, "Peace." Those below sent up resounding cheers, and the would-be speakers were pelted with red ochre.

The Chairman declared the meeting at an end, but the [illegible] welcomed visitors terminated [illegible] fashion by carrying a resolution [illegible] that the war should be prosecuted [illegible] until Germany had been beaten.

A whistle [illegible] blown, and the police, entering the [illegible] escorted the Rev. Mr. Swan and [illegible] from the building, while other constables [illegible] and began to clear the building. The [illegible] went out quietly, content with [illegible] and after a while dispersed without further disorder.

GERMAN SEAMEN ESCAPE.

Two Germans escaped from Oldcastle, County Meath, at 4.30 on Saturday morning. One is [illegible] Ruckmayer, a sailor off a Norwegian [illegible] His description is—Eyes [illegible], fair complexion, round face, [illegible] height 5ft. 6ins., age 27, hair [illegible], fair moustache, slightly [illegible], with a few weeks' growth of stubble beard. Dressed in blue [illegible] trousers, dark cap. Speaks [illegible] Believed to have no knowledge of [illegible] Not likely to have any money. He [illegible] watch showing the days [illegible] year.

The second man is Karl [illegible] John Hoplm, a seaman. He has [illegible] hook nose, ruddy complexion, [illegible] height 5ft. 6ins., age 21, [illegible] shaven, tattooed on breast. He [illegible] a noticeably foreign accent, and is believed to be wearing blue sailor blouse with [illegible] on chest, brown cord trousers [illegible] He is not likely to have any knowledge of Ireland.

DUTCH LINER TRANSFERRED TO WHITE STAR LINE.

In shipping circles on Saturday it was stated that the Belgian Red Star liner Belgenland, launched by Harland and Wolff on the last day of 1914, and now being completed at Belfast, will in the early spring go on the service of the White Star line from Liverpool to New York. The Belgenland, whose name will be changed to the Homeric, is a triple screw boat of 35,000 tons displacement, and has accommodation for over 3,000 passengers.

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T. P. GILL, Secretary.
Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, Dublin.
18th day of November, 1915.

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An Address will be delivered by the Rev. CANON HEMPHILL, D.D.

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A PUBLIC MEETING

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I, HELEN CONSTANCE HEATON THOMAS, of Kindleston, Delgany, in the County of Wicklow, Wife of the Reverend Edwyn Heaton Thomas, do hereby give Notice that I have assumed, and intend henceforth upon all occasions and at all times hereafter, to sign and use and be called and known by my former surname of NORMAN-THOMPSON, in lieu of and in substitution for my present surname of Heaton Thomas, and that such intended change and assumption of name is formally declared and evidenced by a Deed Poll under my hand and seal, dated this day, and intended to be forthwith enrolled in the Judgment, Record and Writ Office of the Supreme Court of Judicature, Ireland.

In testimony hereby I do hereby sign and subscribe myself by such my intended future name.

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A. and L. GOODBODY, Solicitors for the Liquidator, 30 College green, Dublin.

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ARRANGEMENTS FOR TO-DAY.

Theatre Royal—Pictures, "Jane Shore," 2.30 p.m.; Hippodrome, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Gaiety Theatre—"Dick Whittington," 7.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre—"Forty Thieves," 7.45 p.m.
Empire Theatre—"Cinderella," 6.40 and 9 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre—7 and 9 p.m.
Coliseum Theatre—6.45 and 9 p.m.
Rotunda Pictures, 3, 6.45, and 9 p.m.
Princess Cinema, Rathmines—3 to 10.30 p.m.
Bohemian Picture Theatre, Phibsborough—3 to 10.30.
Carlton Cinema, Upper Sackville street—2.30 to 10.30.
George's Hall, South Great George's street—Fisk Jubilee Trio Concert, 8 p.m.
City Sessions, 11 a.m.
Dublin Corporation—Adjourned Meeting, 1 p.m.
Royal Dublin Society—Musical Recital, 4 p.m.
Withdrawal of Education Grants—Meeting, Mansion House, 8 p.m.
Rev. T. S. Finlay's Lecture—Workingmen's Club, 8 p.m.
Lecture by Prof. Cole, "The Theatre of the War"—St. Stephen's Parochial Hall, 8 p.m.
Lecture on "Christian Science"—Abbey Theatre, 8 p.m.
Rev. Chas. O'N. Lawlor's Lecture, "Travel Talks on the Balkans"—Town Hall, Kingstown, 8 p.m.
National Literary Society—6 Stephen's Green, 8 p.m.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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The Irish Times.

MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 1916.

The biggest fire that has ever occurred in Norway broke out at Bergen on Saturday, and spread over twenty different quarters of the town. Thousands of persons are homeless, and the damage is said to exceed £2,000,000. No lives were lost.

The King held an Investiture at Buckingham Palace on Saturday. There was a very long list of decorations, and the recipients included seven Victoria Cross heroes.

The main points in the correspondence seized at Falmouth upon Captain von Papen, the German Military *Attaché* at Washington, when on his way to Germany after his recall at the request of the United States Government, are published in New York. They show that von Papen made frequent payments to persons charged with being responsible for explosions at munitions works in America. His cheque book counterfoils and other documents contain entries of five hundred items, many of which have to do with routine expenditure, but others show payments to various persons who figured prominently in the activities of German agents in America. The seized letters include one from General von Bernhardi written in April last.

At Liverpool on Saturday Lord Derby said if the group scheme had not been adopted there would before now have been unlimited compulsion. The Compulsion Bill was only being opposed to cause delay. Sir John Simon was not in principle opposed to compulsion, as he urged it in its worst form in order to keep time-expired men with the Colours. He (Lord Derby) would get everybody possible to join before the voluntary system definitely ended. There was an uneasy feeling that we permitted more things to enter Germany than the Navy desired. If the Government had no great reason for allowing this, they ought to stop it.

A "stop the war" demonstration in a Brotherhood church in Kingsland district of London was last night broken up by civilians and soldiers.

Mr. W. C. Anderson, M.P., one of the Labour leaders, was refused a hearing at an anti-conscription meeting in Sheffield. The uproar lasted an hour and a half.

To-day the price of bread in Belfast will be advanced by ½d. per 4lb. loaf, making the cost of the 2lb. loaf 4½d. The Wholesale Milk Suppliers' Association in that city have recommended an advance of 2d. per gallon in the price of milk.

Business on the London Stock Exchange on Saturday was not brisk, and price movements were irregular. Consols fell ⅛ to 57¾. The Foreign market was almost at a standstill. Home Rails were steady, but transactions were few, and Americans were assisted by better Wall street cables. Rubbers were steady, Oils uncertain, and Mines subdued. In the Money market loans were in good supply. Call money was quoted at 4½ per cent., but the general rate was 4 to 4½ per cent. The Discount market was steady, but without material change in quotations. Two months' drafts were posted at 5 to 5 1-16 per cent., and three months' at 5 1-16 to 5⅛ per cent.

A National Policy.

Among the many signs of an increasing purpose in the country the creation of War Committees on both sides of the House of Commons is not the least encouraging. The Unionist Committee was formed less than a fortnight ago, with the object of supporting a vigorous prosecution of the war. Its Chairman is Sir Edward Carson, and it is now certain that, in this strictly unofficial capacity, he will soon be the leader of a large majority of the Unionist Party in the House. The Liberals were quick to follow the Unionist example: nearly all shades of Liberal and Radical opinion are represented in the Committee of which Sir Frederick Cawley is Chairman. The two Committees have a common purpose, and will co-operate freely. They will support the Government so long as it follows the lines of their "national policy"—which is the winning of the war. This development would not merely have been impossible before the war; it would have been impossible six months ago. Since that date the country has found itself, and now the House of Commons is beginning to find itself. Not so long ago the party spirit was rife within and without the Cabinet. Now the voice of the country has suppressed it, and may soon banish it altogether. The Government has learned at last to trust the people, and it is hardly too much to say that, as a result, the people has taken charge of the war. Its response to the Prime Minister's demand for the sacrifice of compulsion has routed a thousand misconceptions and timidities. Mr. Redmond, for instance, has discovered that he was completely mistaken about the temper of that "British democracy" whose psychology has been the study of half his life-time. The people means to win the war, and is ready to make all necessary sacrifices; but it will not tolerate any more bungling or insincerity. The recognition of this fact by our politicians is the explanation of the new War Committees. The Government can reckon on their support for all vigorous and well-considered action in every field of war. It will have to count upon their candid criticism of all action or inaction that betrays weakness or want of courage. If these two parties live up to the spirit and letter of their "national policy," there will be fewer ghastly mistakes in our diplomacy; we shall see more co-ordination and foresight in the Allied operations; a mistaken tenderness for the feelings of neutrals will cease to rob us of the richest fruits of our command of the sea. If it be true that the United States Government, under pressure from Germany, intends once more to question the legality of our blockade, the influence of the two War Committees may be exerted to the highest national advantage. A Government that is not inherently strong may be made strong by a lively respect for the nation's will. If these Committees had existed at the time when Sir Edward Carson made his first protest against the abandonment of Serbia, King Peter and King Nicholas might be reigning to-day in their unconquered capitals.

It may be, however, that the best work of the Unionist and Liberal War Committees will not be done until the war draws near its close. In his speech at the Constitutional Club last week Sir Edward Carson sketched the outlines of the new national policy. It means not only the sternest employment of our full resources against Germany and the strict suppression of all domestic conflict; it means also purpose and power to secure a complete and lasting victory. The war may drain the Empire's strength almost to exhaustion. It may exact an even heavier toll of the country's manhood than it has yet claimed. A time will come when Germany will be ready to acknowledge defeat on terms which would leave her not wholly broken. The Government may be tempted to accept such terms for the sake of avoiding further expense and bloodshed. There will be a party in the country—not large, perhaps, but vociferous—which will clamour for such a peace, and will be able to put some pressure on the Cabinet. The most insidious influence of all will be that of the neutral nations. Germany has raised the manipulation of neutral opinion to a fine art, and her failing hand will pull a hundred strings in the capitals of the old and new worlds. Our Cabinet will be overwhelmed with arguments—moral, political, and humanitarian—against "the humiliation of a great people." We do not suggest that it will succumb to such arguments, but only a strong expression of the national will can guarantee the country absolutely against so grave a danger. A first article of the national policy is that the war must be fought to a decisive end. There must be no premature peace. We must fulfil the last letter of our pledges to the little Kingdoms whose existence depends upon our honour. We must dictate our own terms to Germany, and must decide when, if ever, she is to be re-admitted to the community of civilised nations. Only on these terms can we have payment for our unparalleled sacrifices, and only these terms will secure the peace of Europe for at least a generation. In this matter the new National Party may exercise an authority that will not only leave its mark on the destinies of the Empire, but, after the war, will raise the whole standard of our domestic politics to a higher plane.

The Shakespeare Tercentenary.

Easter Sunday this year falls on April 23rd, a day of remarkable associations. It is the feast of St. George, England's patron saint, and it is also the death-day (and, as some believe, the birthday also) of England's national poet. On April 23rd, 1916, Shakespeare will have been dead exactly three hundred years, and it might have been thought that a proposal to celebrate the occasion by a national demonstration in his honour would be received with universal acclamation. But the English are a strange people, very hard to bring into union even on such a subject as this. An almost violent controversy is raging in some of the papers as to the propriety of the proposed celebration, and the opponents of it are almost as numerous as the advocates. The broad ground of objection taken by some of the non-contents is that, while the country is at war, all such demonstrations are out of place. Shakespeare can wait, they say, until after the war, when we shall be in a better position, temperamentally and financially, to do his memory justice. With all respect to these objectors, whose opinions we share to some extent, we would point out that there are other aspects of the case to be considered. Shakespeare can wait, but his tercentenary cannot. If we let this year go by, we shall not be able to arouse in 1917 or 1918 that particular kind of interest which a tercentenary creates in a certain class—and a very large class—of mind. A postponed celebration will be for the *cognoscenti*; to be really national it must take place this year. Moreover, if we delay our celebration until the war is ended, we shall miss the opportunity of linking together the tribute to Shakespeare and the prosecution of the war in a way that should redound to the success of both our aims. We can imagine nothing better calculated to stir the blood of the people than the recitation on Easter Monday, say, by skilled elocutionists of some of the many famous passages in which Shakespeare at once extols the past achievements of his countrymen and urges them to emulate the glories of their fathers.

There is another class of objectors, whose opposition to the celebration is not particular, but general. They say that we have no right to celebrate the fame of Shakespeare at his tercentenary because we have so shamefully neglected him during the previous three hundred years. Of these is Mr. William Poel, who has certainly done as much as any man now living to keep Shakespeare's memory green. Assuming that there will be no celebration, he is thankful, he tells us, that it will not be necessary to go through the form of showing special honour to one who in recent years has received no honour in the theatres of his own country. If Shakespeare were, as Mr. Poel seems to suggest, purely a poet of the theatre, we should be rather inclined to agree with his lament. The languishing of the national theatre project is certainly no credit to us, though there are reasons, into which we need not now enter, that explain, if they do not excuse, the national apathy in regard to it. Equally with Mr. Poel, we deplore the neglect and maltreatment of Shakespeare by the theatre managers. The latter will retort, however, that, after all, they must live, and that, if the public will not come to see Shakespearean plays unless they are gorgeously mounted and dressed—and not always then—it is not their fault if they do not often take the risk of producing them. Shakespeare is, however, much more than a poet of the theatre. His marvellous works would remain the delight and the pride of his fellow-countrymen if every theatre in the Kingdom were burned down to-morrow and never rebuilt. He reads as well as he plays: in the opinion of a good many of his most reverent admirers he reads better than he plays, since there are very few actors whose intellectual and elocutionary equipment is equal to the delivery of his wonderful blank-verse in such a way as to bring out its full meaning and beauty. Occasionally one finds an actor like Sir J. Forbes-Robertson whom nature seems to have expressly designed to play such a character as Hamlet; but it may be questioned whether even he has done so much to bring out the full meaning of the poet as did the late Samuel Brandram, the reciter. The glory of Shakespeare is that he does not require, though he rewards, such interpreters. His genius shines through, and triumphs over, the most inefficient rendering. There are hundreds of little Shakespeare societies scattered up and down the country, whose members are for the most part painfully inefficient when judged by the most moderate standard; yet they derive the utmost joy from their painful stumbling through the plays. It is they, and many thousands more whose knowledge of the poet is confined to reading the printed word in their studies, who ought to decide whether the tercentenary should be celebrated. We have no doubt what their decision will be.

Floods in Holland.

Where King Canute's majesty failed, Dutch enterprise and industry have conquered. For nine centuries, at least, the contest between the natural forces of the sea and the mechanical forces directed by man has been waged along the coast of Holland. Sometimes the sea defeats the purpose of the great dykes built to stem it, and strikes dread into the sturdy hearts of the people whose homes are plots stolen from the sea's province. One such revolt of ocean has just occurred. For days anxious eyes had watched the waters as they rose, beyond the height at which the dwellers by the coast might regard them with careless safety. In the dark, early hours of Friday the people of the villages and the little towns in the coast region heard, of a sudden, the bells ring out warning peals. The sea had burst over the dykes. It came with a noise like thunder. In the darkness the people left their houses, and hastened to the places of refuge afforded by small tracts of higher ground. Many of them will never see their houses again, for the flood in its onrush swept away whole buildings, as well as cattle and other belongings. A large part of the northern province of Holland has been flooded. Not for many years has the sea made so disastrous an incursion into the territory won from it by the labour of centuries. The Dutch barriers are now organised in the most scientific manner, and in the last century Holland has added something like 15 *per cent.* to her dimensions. Were the dykes to fail, more than one-third of the whole country would be submerged by an ordinary high tide. It is but rarely that, even by an extraordinary effort, the sea gains so much as a temporary advantage over those who dispute its power.

The Labour Market.

The official review of the labour market in 1915 confirms the general impression as to the facts. In all but a few trades the scarcity of labour was noticed throughout the year. Even in the industries which were "quiet" during the year few of the workers were on short time for very long, as the decrease in their number very nearly balanced the deficiency of work. In those industries concerning which the Board of Trade got returns, the amount paid by way of war bonus was over six hundred thousand pounds *per week*. This gives an average of three shillings and tenpence *per* head. Retail prices of foodstuffs are 45 *per cent.* above the normal prices of the month immediately preceding the outbreak of war. Not even the great advance in the cost of living indicated by that fact has been sufficient to discount the exceptional prosperity of the working classes in England. Not only has employment been regular, but, owing to the demand for women and youths, in many cases several members of a family are earning good money. As a consequence, the shopkeepers in English industrial districts are doing an exceptional trade in luxuries. To meet the demand for jewellery, for example, manufacturing jewellers have found it worth their while to melt down sovereigns. In Dublin, as everybody knows, the demand for labour has not been quite so remarkable. The lack of employment in the building trades, especially, has hit a great many Dublin workers hard. Munitions work on a large scale has been started later in Dublin than elsewhere, but it has been stated officially that the salary and wages list at the new National Munitions Factory now represents a weekly disbursement of a sum approaching six hundred pounds.

INVESTITURE BY THE KING.

OFFICERS DECORATED.

SEVEN VICTORIA CROSS HEROES.

The investiture held by the King at Buckingham Palace on Saturday was the largest ceremony of its kind which he has undertaken since the beginning of the war.

There was a very long list of candidates for decoration, which included many of those who appeared in the list of New Year honours, but it principally comprised naval and military officers. The ceremony commenced punctually at 11 o'clock, and, in addition to the officials waiting upon His Majesty, there were present the Home Secretary, representing his department; the Duke of Devonshire, attending on behalf of the Admiralty; and the War Office was represented by a number of Staff Officers. Some of the officers bore traces of the service which had won them distinction. A few were lame, and several carried their arms in slings. Among those decorated were a number of police officers and Fire Brigade officers, to whom had been awarded the King's Medal for long or specially meritorious service.

Over four hundred persons received honours altogether. Three Grand Crosses were bestowed. The Hon. Sir Derek Keppel received the Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order, while Sir George Reid, late High Commissioner for Australia, and Sir Robert Chalmers, Governor of Ceylon, each received the Grand Cross of the Bath.

Seven Victoria Cross heroes were decorated by the King, and in their cases a brief record of their services was read to His Majesty. The seven were:—

Commander Unwin, R.N.;
Commander Nasmyth, R.N.;
Captain Vickers,
Lieutenant James,
Lieutenant Maling,
Second Lieutenant Fleming Sandes, and
Lance-Corporal Keyzor.

Commander Edward Unwin won his decoration by great gallantry during the landing on Gallipoli Peninsula. He worked for hours in the water under murderous fire endeavouring to get into position the lighters to form a bridge from the River Clyde to the shore. He personally rescued several wounded men from the water.

Commander Martin E. Nasmyth was in command of the submarine which sunk three Turkish troopships, in addition to other ships in the Sea of Marmora, between May and June last.

Captain Charles Geoffrey Vickers, of the Sherwood Foresters, won his Cross for gallantry at the Hohenzollern Redoubt, when he pluckily held the enemy at bay for some hours with bombs when nearly all the men had been killed or wounded.

Lieutenant Herbert James, Worcester Regiment, won his award in Gallipoli. Acting entirely on his own initiative, he gathered together a body of men and led them forward, under heavy fire, to the relief of a contingent which was sorely pressed.

Lieutenant George Alfred Maling, M.B., serving with the R.A.M.C., collected and treated in the open no fewer than three hundred men under heavy shell fire, working continuously single-handed for over twenty-four hours.

Second Lieutenant James Terence Fleming Sandes, East Surrey Regiment, when sorely pressed, jumped on to a parapet and hurled bombs vigorously at the enemy, being twice severely wounded. His gallant action rallied the men, and saved the situation.

Lance-Corporal Leonard Keyzor, Australian Imperial Force, in an attack on Lone Pine trenches in Gallipoli, continued throwing bombs after he was wounded, and saved portion of the trench which it was most important to hold. On another occasion, although marked for hospital, he declined to leave the trench, and volunteered to throw bombs for another company which had lost all its own bomb-throwers. He pluckily continued to do this until the situation had been relieved.

Following his usual custom, the King shook hands with each of the V.C.'s, and said a word or two of cordial congratulations and commendation when pinning on their Crosses.

The King left St. Pancras on Saturday afternoon to continue the process of recuperation in the country.

PRINCE OF WALES AND THE HOUSE OF LORDS.

No surprise will be occasioned, says *Reynolds's Newspaper*, if the Prince of Wales, who will to-day address his fellow-members of the Statutory Committee on War Pensions at St. James's Palace, should take his seat in the House of Lords before he returns to the front.

MR. BIRRELL ON HOPEFULNESS.

The monthly publication of the Robert Browning Settlement in South London contains a number of congratulatory messages received by the Warden, Mr. Stead, on the recent coming of age of the Settlement. Among these is one from Mr. Birrell, who writes:—

"It seems some date long before the Flood that I visited Browning Hall, where you have ever since worked so hard and so prosperously. I hardly thought at the time the idea would thrive so long, but greatly do I rejoice thereat. Modern critics of poetry are, I believe, disposed to find fault with Robert Browning's unfailing and almost boisterous optimism. We must confess it is hard at the moment to believe in human progress, but it would be miserable to desert his faith. He believed in the powers of darkness and the corruption of man's heart, but he also believed in God and the ultimate triumph of righteousness. We must struggle on after him as best we can, and feed our hungry spirits on 'boundless hopes.'"

THE SICK LIST.

Sir Samuel Evans's recovery has been checked by an attack of pleurisy. There was a slight improvement in his condition yesterday.

PORTSMOUTH ELECTION.

Admiral Sir Hedworth Meux was on Saturday returned without opposition for Portsmouth.

HON. E. S. MONTAGU NOT TO BE OPPOSED.

Cambridgeshire Liberal Association on Saturday adopted the Hon. E. S. Montagu as candidate on his appointment as Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster. There will be no opposition by the Unionists.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCK IN ENGLAND.

In the earthquake shock in the Midlands on Friday night houses were shaken in Matlock and Wirksworth, no damage being done.

LONDON CORRESPONDENCE.

153 FLEET STREET, LONDON, SUNDAY NIGHT.

It is evident from the King's being able to hold a long Investiture that His Majesty must be almost restored to his usual health. The official account of the ceremony, however, gives no indication of his appearance or demeanour. The omission is, to some extent, supplied by the *Observer*, which says that the three weeks' change of air has made a wonderful improvement in his condition. "His Majesty has quite discarded invalid ways, and is able to go about practically as usual. He is still obliged to avoid any unnecessary fatigue, but he can attend to State and private business as he did before his accident." It is also mentioned that, since his return to Buckingham Palace, the King has dined or lunched almost every day at Marlborough House.

Good news comes from the Indian Government at Delhi regarding the operations of General Aylmer's force in Mesopotamia. A day or two ago it was reported from the same source that General Aylmer was held up by bad weather. That was on the 10th. Three days later he was again able to move against the Turkish positions, and by the evening of the 14th had compelled the enemy to retire. Further news is anxiously awaited, as the position of General Townshend's force at Kut-el-Amara is still somewhat precarious. Mr. A. Chamberlain will be asked on Tuesday whether the advance to Bagdad was undertaken with the concurrence of the military advisers of the Home Government or on the sole responsibility of the Indian Government.

An Austrian official report dated Vienna, January 16th, gives particulars of the desperate fighting which is going on at the South Russian front. While naturally claiming that the Russian attacks were all repulsed, it gives certain details that are not very convincing. It seems hardly likely, for example, that, after all the experience the war has brought them, the Russian commanders would order an attack "in columns twelve to fourteen men deep," or that, if they did so, the Austrians would have to drive them back with the bayonet, instead of mowing them down with machine guns. I expect that the Russian official account, when published, will throw a very different light on the action and its result.

Colonel Maude, in the *Sunday Times*, lays stress upon a technical difficulty which is probably hampering the Germans and Austrians very seriously in their resistance to the Russian attacks. The bulk of both groups are now miles away from their permanent railway communications, and days, even weeks, must pass before troops, say, from Riga can be sent back into Prussia and thence railed round to the aid of the Austrians. No doubt the Germans have done all that is physically possible to repair and supplement the broken tracks and bridges which the Russians destroyed in their retreat, but here time is the essence of success, and also these reconstructed lines will not stand traffic at speeds much above five miles an hour continuously.

There is a good deal of substance in the *Messagero's* explanation of Italy's inability to rescue Montenegro from the Austrians. It is, doubtless, true that the defeat of the Serbians was the prime cause of Montenegro's plight, and it was probably the disorganisation consequent on that defeat that prevented the Serbians from taking advantage of such help as Italy was able to send at the last moment.

Montenegro could only have been saved if long ago the Allies had taken the initiative against Austria and had occupied the Gulf of Cattaro and its environs. The *Messagero* darkly hints that the advice of Italy was disregarded at a critical moment by the other Allies, but does not state what the advice was. For that, as for the solution of so many other mysteries, we may have to wait until the conclusion of the war.

The Press Bureau states that, for the convenience of subscribers, it has been arranged that application for 5 per cent. Exchequer Bonds, 1920, in denominations of £100 or upwards, will be received, and the Bonds will be issued, by the Bank of Ireland as well as by the Bank of England. Registration of holdings of Exchequer Bonds may also be effected at the Bank of Ireland.

Mr. Handel Booth has been interviewed on the subject of the Liberal War Committee which has been formed to co-operate with the similar Committee on the other side. Incidentally he denounces the notion that the Unionist Committee was a creation of Sir Edward Carson. The question of the formation of the body, with a view to co-operation, was raised while Sir Edward was still in the Cabinet, and he was only chosen as Chairman because he was the ablest Unionist ex-Minister. "Not only will the two Committees co-operate in urging on the Government a more vigorous prosecution of the war, but they are going to devote special attention to the thirty-nine members who voted against the Military Service Bill, and will concert measures to prevent Sir John Simon and his friends from being again returned to Parliament." It is probable that, if a strong Liberal supporter of the Government were nominated in Walthamstow and supported by the whole strength of the Conservative Party, even the ex-Home Secretary would be defeated. In point of fact, Sir John some time ago announced his intention of standing for a seat in the North.

Mr. Redmond's blunder in opposing the first reading of the Military Service Bill is generally attributed to the bad advice given him by Mr. Dillon, who was under the impression that the Liberal opposition to the Bill was much larger and more influential than it proved to be. Mr. Dillon's settled melancholy was obviously increased when his leader made his recantation and declared that, as British opinion was manifestly in favour of the Bill, he would no longer oppose it. No further substantial obstacles to the passage of the Bill are now expected, and it is assumed that it will leave the Commons this week and be rapidly passed by the Lords in the week after. As soon as it is on the Statute Book, but not till then, the Parliament Act Amendment Bill will also be passed by the Upper House, and the way will then be clear for the prorogation. The new Session is expected to begin on February 15th, but, as members and Ministers have recently gone through a fairly strenuous time, I should not be surprised if they were to get another week's respite. The business before Easter will be mainly financial, and, of course, highly important, but it ought not to lead to very prolonged discussions.

Lady Beatrix Wilkinson has been lecturing in London a good deal lately for charitable purposes. At Lady Herbert's house, in Carlton House terrace, last week she gave a lantern-slide lecture showing the experiences of her sister, Lady Muriel Herbert, in Serbia. The pictures were all taken from Lady Muriel's own photographs. The latter is now in Salonika with her hospital unit.

Mr. Trevelyan proposes to ask the Prime Minister to-morrow whether, if the Military Service Bill passes, the Government will promise that no steps will be taken either under the Defence of the Realm Act or otherwise to prevent the holding of meetings or the publication of writings for the purpose of demanding the repeal of the new law or of objecting to any extension of compulsory service.

PANAMA CANAL.

Lloyd's agent at Panama cables, under yesterday's date, as follows:—"Some vessels arrived, others coming, expecting use Canal route, despite warnings. Following official statement issued:—'As transit shipping interferes dredging operations, and stable canal cannot be maintained at present, cannot undertake handle other vessels through Canal until notice of readiness given. Operators warned not send vessels for transit present time.'"

FROM "THE TIMES" OF TO-DAY.

(BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH THE PROPRIETORS OF *THE TIMES*.)

INDEFINITE RESPONSIBILITY.

Amid a good deal of progress—none the less satisfactory, though it is the result of outside pressure—the Government, says *The Times*, are again showing signs of backsliding in what we have always held to be the vital matter of their own organisation. We are in serious danger of a recrudescence of the conduct of the war by twenty-two Ministers. Partly through force of circumstances, partly because the better plan never took firm root, and partly because of the tendency of all Governments to slip back into an old routine, the promise of a small War Council is being less and less fulfilled. There is reason to believe that, on two recent occasions at least, a purely military question was referred back to the whole twenty-two for decision, and decided against the recommendation of the smaller body. The latter, it is said, is already lapsing into the position and acquiescing in the name of a Committee rather than a Council. This is by no means the reform which the public were led to expect when Mr. Asquith; after great pressure and long consideration, made his famous announcement of November 2nd, and, though no one need complain that the whole Cabinet was consulted in such a matter as the Military Service Bill, it is high time that there was a definite limitation of the vague and often conflicting authorities which are actually trying to carry on the war.

THE VON PAPEN PAPERS.

An account of the papers, says *The Times*, seized at Falmouth upon Captain von Papen, late Military *Attaché* of the German Embassy in Washington, has been published by the Associated Press, and was allowed to appear in this country in the course of Saturday. We trust that it will be promptly followed by the issue of as many as possible of these documents in an official form. They are evidently of considerable value as further illustrations of German diplomatic action in neutral countries and the candour of the statements which the Captain's correspondents make renders them amusing. None of those which have appeared so far is so entertaining as some of the papers found on the "strictly impartial" American correspondent, Mr. Archibald, last autumn, but they are even more instructive. Captain von Papen's unlimited contempt for "these idiotic Yankees," whom it has been his business to hoodwink for so long, was proclaimed in a confidential letter in the Archibald papers. The present documents show how widely it is shared, and how openly it is expressed by his colleagues when writing amongst themselves.

LONDON'S AIR DEFENCE.

Various circumstances, says *The Times*—the anniversary of the first attempt, the fact that the Germans are making special and otherwise inexplicable efforts to convince neutrals that London is a fortified town, the imminence of a by-election in which both candidates make a feature of the question—all these things are making the public ask themselves how matters stand. Have the Government devoted their time of lull and warning in making London as safe from air raid as Paris, for instance, is reputed to be safe? Has the development of our own air service kept pace with that of the enemy, whose destruction of four of our aeroplanes in France in one day looks uncommonly like the sudden appearance of a faster and more formidable weapon? We hope and believe that it is only a temporary success, but this mishap across the Channel is not unconnected with the question of defending London, if air raids are to be countered effectively in the air. Last, and most important, is the defence of London in the hands of one responsible man, and who is he? The truth about our London defences, we are afraid, is exactly the same as about our blockade. The Government have never really thought out their task, and they have never succeeded in creating a single authority to do it.

"STOP THE WAR" MEETING BROKEN UP.

SCENES IN A CHURCH.

Extraordinary scenes were witnessed last night in the Brotherhood Church, Southgate road, Kingsland, London, North, on the occasion of a "Stop the War" demonstration, to which the public had been freely invited, no tickets being required. Handbills had been distributed bearing the words, "The patriots' motto: 'Stop the war.'" The police, foreseeing trouble, were in strength near the church. Advertised speakers, including Mr. H. Norman, Mr. S. V. Bracher, Mr. G. Maurice Hann, and Mr. Scott Dickens, mounted a dais, and the first hymn was sung. Then the trouble began. The pastor, Rev. F. R. Swan, read passages from the New Testament bearing on peace, and was understood to say he thought the time had come for us to withdraw from the war. He got no further. Soldiers and civilians rose in a body and denounced the chairman and his companions as traitors. Supporters of Mr. Swan in the body of the church attempted to drown the opposition by singing "The Old Flag," and the opposition replied with "Keep the home fires burning." Then from the gallery were thrown Chinese crackers, which exploded below, and hand-to-hand struggles took place all over the floor of the church.

The speakers on the platform had a hurried consultation. The Chairman announced, "Hymn No. 5 will be sung." The crowd replied with "Rule Britannia." It was obvious the meeting could not proceed.

Mr. Norman stood forward and read something presumably the advertised resolution to call upon the Government to stop the war, and members of Parliament to refuse to vote further supplies. The demonstrators thereupon made a rush to the platform, climbing and jumping over the pews. In a trice the posters were torn to shreds, and a soldier climbed into the gallery and across to the organ, where he tore down a silken banner, bearing the one word "Peace." Those below sent up resounding cheers, and the would-be speakers were pelted with red ochre.

The Chairman declared the meeting at an end, but the heartily welcomed visitors terminated it in their own fashion by carrying a resolution demanding that the war should be prosecuted with all vigour until Germany had been beaten.

A whistle was lustily blown, and the police, entering the church, escorted the Rev. Mr. Swan and his friends from the building, while other constables filed in and began to clear the building. The disturbers went out quietly, content with their protest, and after a while dispersed without further disorder.

GERMAN SEAMEN ESCAPE.

Two Germans escaped from Oldcastle, County Meath, at 7.30 on Saturday morning. One is Augustine Buckmayer, a sailor off a Norwegian barque. His description is—Eyes blue, straight nose, fair complexion, round face, stout build, height 5ft. 6ins., age 27, hair fair, slight fair moustache, slightly stooped shoulders, and with a few weeks' growth of fair stubbly beard. Dressed in blue pilot coat, blue check trousers, dark cap. Speaks English fluently. Believed to have no knowledge of Ireland. Not likely to have any money. He has a watch showing the days and months of the year.

The second man is Karl Graumann, *alias* John Haalm, a seaman. He has blue eyes, thick nose, ruddy complexion, stout face, height 5ft. 6ins., age 21; fair hair, clean-shaven, tattooed on breast. He speaks with a noticeably foreign accent, and is believed to be wearing blue sailor blouse, with bow on chest, brown cord trousers, white cap. He is not likely to have any money, or to have any knowledge of Ireland.

DUTCH LINER TRANSFERRED TO WHITE STAR LINE.

In shipping circles on Saturday it was stated that the Belgian Red Star liner Belgenland, launched by Harland and Wolff on the last day of 1914, and now being completed at Belfast, will in the early spring go on the service of the White Star line from Liverpool to New York. The Belgenland, whose name will be changed to the Homeric, is a triple screw boat of 35,000 tons displacement, and has accommodation for over 3,000 passengers.

BALKAN WAR THEATRE.

BLOWING UP OF DEMIR HISSAR BRIDGE.

EXCITEMENT IN GREECE.

POSITION OF GREEK TROOPS.

NO ENEMY OFFENSIVE IN PROGRESS.

The destruction of the Demir Hissar railway bridge has created a sensation in all Greek circles, and the position of Greek troops at Serres, east of that point, is creating anxiety. The Allies, however, have given assurances that there will be no difficulty in supplying the Greek forces. Large numbers of troops, big guns, and huge quantities of supplies are being landed at Salonika. All the stories of an immediate enemy offensive are discredited, and some of the telegrams give the number of Germans concentrated on the Greek frontier as very small. It is estimated that an attempt on Salonika could not be made with less than 400,000 men.

King Peter, who has received a reassuring message from King George, has left Salonika. All the arrangements for refitting the Serbian Army in Corfu are complete.

The Austrians announce that after surrendering Cetinje the Montenegrins are retreating on all points of the south and west front, pursued by the Austrians. Nothing new has taken place near Berane and west of Ipek. At Cetinje the Austrians took 150 guns and 10,000 rifles.

(PRESS ASSOCIATION SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

BRITISH HEADQUARTERS, MACEDONIA, THURSDAY (delayed).

The destruction of the railway bridge at Demir Hissar has created a sensation in all Greek circles, cutting off, as it does, all communication with Eastern Macedonia, except the military road which bridges the Struma at Karasuli and the sea route *via* Kavalla. The population of Serres, as well as large concentrations of Greek troops in that region, are largely dependent on Salonika for supplies. It will be remembered that a considerable portion of the Greek troops gathered at Salonika were despatched to Serres.

The Government is, therefore, faced with the serious problem of victualling these troops, and may be compelled either to withdraw or disband a certain portion.

The attitude of the Greeks is one of perturbation, not unmixed with resentment, as it is felt that the destruction of the bridge might have been left to a later moment. The Allies, however, doubtless had the best of reasons for timely measures of precaution.

In addition to the Demir Hissar Bridge, all railway bridges and viaducts on the same line beyond Kilindir have been blown up, while the telegraph and telephone wires have also been severed.

Passengers in yesterday's train to Serres were sent back, after being held up all day near Doiran.

It is interesting to note that the Demir Hissar Bridge was blown up by Bulgarians during the last war, and was repaired some months later. The present destruction is said to be very complete, six of the seven arches being destroyed.

The wildest rumours are current to-day with regard to an advance by Bulgars and Germans, but the position is as telegraphed yesterday, and no real offensive movement has taken place.

Individual Bulgarian soldiers have crossed the frontier at some points, usually in quest of food, but nothing has occurred justifying the rumours of a general forward movement, and meanwhile the Allies are perfecting their defensive organisation. Large quantities of supplies of all kinds are arriving daily.

(FROM G. J. STEVENS, SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT OF THE PRESS ASSOCIATION AND THE "DAILY TELEGRAPH.")

SALONIKA, THURSDAY, 4.30 P.M. (delayed).

The blowing up of the bridge at Demir Hissar carried out yesterday should not be interpreted as a sure sign of the imminence of the enemy's attack. No further concentration of troops in the eastern sector has been noted, except those already known. The damage done to the railway from Krivolak to Doiran has not yet been repaired.

As to the western sector, our information brings up the forces of the enemy at Monastir to one German division, one Austrian regiment, and two Bulgarian regiments.

The blowing up of the Demir Hissar railway bridge was a military precaution, for the following reason:—The front of the Allied Army does not reach as far as the bridge, and, therefore, it being quite close to the Bulgarian frontier could have been occupied suddenly long before the French Command could have sent troops to destroy it.

It is true that the sector of the frontier from Doiran to Demir Hissar was occupied by contingents from the Greek Army Corps based at Nigrita, but, as General Sarrail remarked this afternoon, in face of the declaration made to him that the Hellenic forces, in their desire to avoid getting involved in the conflict, would withdraw on the appearance of the enemy, he could not possibly expect that the sector would have been defended by the Greeks. This is the explanation General Sarrail also gave in answer to the complaints he received about the destruction of this important bridge, which has effectively isolated the Allies' entrenched camps before Salonika from the east. It has also caused difficulties for supplies to the Greek troops based at Nigrita. The difficulties, however, will be overcome by the promptitude shown by the French Command to help in arranging them.

During the last fortnight of December the Allied Army has been largely reinforced in men, but especially in guns, of which most were of heavy calibre. The enemy will require to have at least 400,000 troops if he is to entertain any hope of success, and all sources of information agree that, at least at present, he does not dispose of such a force. He may, however, try a bluff attack. The French Command inclines to the latter belief.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

ATHENS, THURSDAY (delayed).

The destruction of the Demir Hissar railway bridge constitutes a new grievance in the eyes of the Greek Government, and another protest is expected. *Entente* circles explain the destruction of the bridge by urgent military necessity. With the railway cut, the transport of heavy artillery is practically impossible. It is reported from usually well-informed sources that the Turks have transported heavy artillery from Gallipoli to the Græco-Bulgarian frontier.

FRANCE'S AIR STRENGTH AT SALONIKA.

(PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.)

SALONIKA, JAN. 14.

A remarkable demonstration of the French air strength was given to-day for the benefit of the population of Salonika. About four o'clock in the afternoon a tremendous buzzing overhead, as though a gigantic swarm of bees were abroad, attracted all glances skywards. The cause of the humming was soon apparent. A flock of aeroplanes appeared over the town, and went through various graceful evolutions, two looping the loop, and others darting hither and thither, wheeling, turning above and below—altogether a wonderful sight. After holding all eyes spellbound for nearly half an hour, the machines winged their way northwards to the aviation camps.

It is understood that these represent only a portion of the Allied Air Fleet, being the squadron which the previous day bombed the Bulgar-German camps at Doiran and Ghevghell.

Later in the afternoon the inhabitants were treated to another demonstration by the French military authorities, this time of a musical character, the brass band of a Zouave regiment giving a performance in the public square on the occasion of the Orthodox New Year. Apart from its artistic merits, the fact that such a concert was possible must have impressed the natives with the sense of confidence and security animating the Allied authorities. For an hour a huge crowd listened with rapt pleasure to the band, which gave a spirited rendering of military marches and operatic selections, winding up with the Greek and French National Anthems. Each number was received with well-merited and very enthusiastic applause.

MESOPOTAMIA.

TURKS DEFEATED.

FURTHER RETREAT.

General Aylmer again attacked and defeated the Turks on January 13th, and on the 14th the enemy began to retire, closely pressed by the British force.

(PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIALS.)

DELHI, SUNDAY.

A *communiqué* issued here regarding the operations in Mesopotamia states that after their defeat on January 8th and 9th the Turkish force opposing General Aylmer retired to a position astride the Tigris at Orah, 25 miles down stream from Kut el Amara.

General Aylmer attacked the position on January 13th, and heavy fighting continued till nightfall of that day.

During the night of January 13 and 14 the enemy began to retire.

They are being closely pressed on the east and on the north by the British force.

BASRA, JAN. 10TH.

The Turkish prisoners at Sheikh Saad amount to 600.

Representatives of four different regiments state that their companies lost 50 per cent. of their strength, including a large number of deserters.

Two of the divisions opposed to us have been practically exterminated and re-constituted since the beginning of the war.

The enemy's strength on the 7th inst. included Mounted Arab irregulars, numbering several thousand.

German officers are reported to be with the force, and a large equipment, including water bottles and entrenching tools, was German.

Nurudwin was in command at Sheikh Saad. General von der Goltz has been at Kut on an inspection.

KING GEORGE AND SERBIA.

MESSAGE TO KING PETER.

(FROM G. J. STEVENS, SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT OF THE PRESS ASSOCIATION AND THE "DAILY TELEGRAPH.")

SALONIKA, FRIDAY.

On the occasion of the Greek New Year, King Peter of Serbia received telegrams from King George, the Tsar, the King of Italy, President Poincaré, and Essad Pasha.

King George at the end of his message says:—"I am fully convinced that the Allies, together with the heroic Serbian Army, are in a position to win back to your people complete independence and secure to our arms final victory."

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

ATHENS, SATURDAY.

King Peter left Salonika at six o'clock this morning on board a French warship. He will proceed by train to Edipsos, where he will arrive this evening.

BRINDISI, SATURDAY.

The members of the Serbian Government, numbering about thirty persons, together with the diplomatic representatives of the Allied Powers accredited to King Peter, arrived here to-day.

THE LANDING AT CORFU.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

PARIS, SATURDAY.

The *communiqué* issued to-day gives the following description of the landing at Corfu of French troops entrusted with the task of preparing for the arrival of Serbian soldiers. The operation was carried out with order and rapidity and reflects the greatest credit upon those who executed it. At one o'clock in the morning of January 11th the French Consul informed the Greek authorities of the impending landing, and the latter contented themselves with making a verbal and purely formal protest, as it was known that there was no question even of temporary occupation of the island, but merely of its utilisation. At two o'clock our squadron arrived. The French Consul was waiting on the quay with guides and motor cars, and the landing of the troops began an hour later. The first detachment to be landed immediately occupied the telegraph office, and at the same time arrested two individuals, who had been reported by our Consul, one of whom was president of the German *espionage* organisation.

Meanwhile the working of landing horses and material proceeded, and the whole operation was over by eleven a.m. Our armoured cruisers, under whose protection the landing had been effected, immediately prepared to leave. By the evening of January 11th French soldiers had been installed in the barracks and the new forts. The inhabitants of Corfu, completely reassured regarding our intentions, gave them a friendly welcome. A report of the early arrival of a cargo of wheat made the presence of French troops even more appreciated. King Peter's heroic regiments will soon be able to reorganise themselves at Corfu. In a few days everything will be ready for their reception there.

AUSTRIANS OVER-RUNNING MONTENEGRO.

AUSTRIAN DESPATCHES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

AMSTERDAM, SATURDAY.

The official despatch issued in Vienna to-day says:—

After surrendering Cetinje, the Montenegrins are retreating on all points of their south and west fronts, pursued by our troops, who have crossed the line Budua-Cetinje-Grahovo, and are now advancing east of Rileka, and near Artovas, into Montenegrin territory.

Near Grahovo we captured three guns, with their gunners; 500 rifles, one machine gun, and much ammunition and other war material.

Nothing new has taken place near Berane and west of Ipek.

SUNDAY.

In the pursuit of the defeated enemy our forces, with their southern wing, yesterday occupied Spezza.

At Cetinje 154 guns of different calibre, 10,000 rifles, 10 machine guns, and much ammunition and war material were captured.

The number of guns captured during the battles in the region of Mount Lovchen has increased to 45. The number of prisoners brought in yesterday was 300.

South of Berane the enemy is still stubbornly resisting. Our battalions stormed the trenches on the height of Gradino.

CONGRATULATING AUSTRIA.

(PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.)

AMSTERDAM, SATURDAY.

The German papers publish the following telegram, sent by the Kaiser to the Emperor Francis Joseph on the occasion of the capture by the Austrians of Mount Lovchen:—

"May I express to you my hearty congratulations on the occasion of the storming of Mount Lovchen, which your gallant troops carried out with admirable endurance and skill. God has clearly helped, and will be with us also in the future.

"WILHELM."

The Austrian Emperor replied:—

"I am highly pleased by your warm tribute to the fresh achievement of my brave troops, who succeeded in taking by storm the strong position of Lovchen. I beg you to receive my warmest thanks for your telegram of kind alliance. God's help will conduct us to the good end of our mutual fight. Heartiest greetings.

"FRANCIS JOSEPH."

The King of Saxony sent the following telegram:—

"I read with great joy of the capture of Lovchen, and beg to express to you my heartiest congratulations on this brilliant military achievement by your army. God help us further.

"FRIEDRICH AUGUST."

To which the Emperor replied:—

"I thank you warmly for your congratulations, which afforded me great pleasure on the occasion of the brilliant success which my brave troops have just wrested from Montenegro. May you be with us.

"FRANCIS JOSEPH."

WESTERN FIELD OF WAR.

BOMBARDMENT OF BELGIAN COAST.

QUIET DAYS AT THE FRONT.

The British and French reports issued on Saturday and Sunday report artillery activity at several points. Generally the days were quiet.

The Germans report a bombardment of Westende, on the Belgian coast, by British monitors.

BRITISH REPORTS.

PRESS BUREAU, SATURDAY, 10.40 P.M.

The following telegraphic despatch has been received from General Headquarters in France dated 15th January, 1916, 9.9 p.m.:—

Except for reciprocal bombardments about Maricourt, Givenchy, Hill 63, and Hollebeke, there has to-day only been the usual normal artillery activity along the line.

SUNDAY, 9.12 P.M.

On the whole, a quiet day. Some hostile shelling about Givenchy and Ypres. Artillery fire against a German strong point north of Ypres was satisfactory.

FRENCH REPORTS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

PARIS, SATURDAY.

This afternoon's *communiqué* says:—

The night was calm.

In Champagne, our artillery dispersed some of the enemy carrying out defence works, and fired upon a convoy marching on the Auberive road, at Saint Souplet.

In the Argonne there was an exchange of grenade fire at Vauquois.

Nothing to report on the rest of the front.

11 P.M.

With the exception of some fairly lively artillery actions in Champagne, in the Argonne, and in the Woevre, there is no event of importance to report on the front as a whole.

SUNDAY.

The night was quiet, and there is nothing to report.

11 P.M.

In Belgium our artillery, in concert with the British artillery, caused grave damage to enemy trenches in the district of Het Sas, and provoked two heavy explosions in the German lines.

Our batteries bombarded with success the vicinity of the road from Lille to the south of Thelus, and blew up an ammunition depôt at Hill 119. North-east of Neuville St. Vaast one of our mines destroyed a small German post.

In the Argonne there was fighting with bombs and grenades in the region of Vauquois.

In Lorraine our fire caught a gathering of enemy troops to the south of Bromenil, north-east of Badonviller.

GERMAN DESPATCHES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

AMSTERDAM, SATURDAY.

The *communiqué* issued in Berlin to-day says:—

A hostile aeroplane, which Lieutenant Boelke shot down north-east of Albert, fell in the British lines, and was set on fire by our artillery.

SUNDAY.

An enemy monitor unsuccessfully bombarded the region of Westende.

The British fired into the town of Lille, but up to the present only slight material damage has been caused by the fire.

Local artillery activity continues along the front.

GERMAN AIRMEN CAPTURED.

(PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.)

FLUSHING, SUNDAY.

Two German airmen, who a few days ago were rescued by a boat from the Noord Hinder lightship, were to-day brought ashore aboard a pilot steamer, and handed over to the military authorities.

FOR A CAMPAIGN IN EGYPT.

(PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.)

AMSTERDAM, SUNDAY.

In a general order, the Commander-in-Chief of the German Army in Belgium has asked for volunteers for the campaign in Egypt. Those who volunteer will receive twenty days' furlough. Only a few men have volunteered, and none of the frontier guard between Esschen and Turnhout, which numbers 500 men.

CARDINAL MERCIER IN ROME.

AUDIENCE WITH THE POPE.

HIS HOLINESS AND BELGIUM.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

ROME, FRIDAY.

Cardinal Mercier is the object of universal demonstrations of sympathy, as all parties see in him the personification of Belgium, and desire by honouring him to honour his country. To the Belgian College, where Cardinal Mercier is staying, there has been a pilgrimage of all the notabilities of Rome, together with obscure citizens, who desire, if only by giving their name, to pledge themselves to contribute by all the means in their power to the restoration of Belgium. His Eminence, although touched by these demonstrations, has refused to make any statement to the Press, saying that, while he is not under any official obligation to the German authorities not to speak, he considers himself morally bound to keep silence. When the Cardinal announced this decision those present exclaimed "the facts speak eloquently enough."

SUNDAY.

The Pope to-day received Cardinal Mercier in a long private audience. The Cardinal was met by the Pontiff at the door of his private library, in which the conversation took place. Although no official communication has been issued concerning the interview, it is understood that Cardinal Mercier gave the Pope the fullest possible report of the situation in Belgium, not only from the ecclesiastical, but also from the political and economic points of view, adding how much the unfortunate Belgian people needed the assistance and sympathy of all well-thinking people, above all from the head of the Church. The Pope assured him of his most benevolent and fatherly affection for the Belgians, adding that he believes he can help them more and better by doing all in his power to preserve the Holy See completely neutral, thus strengthening its prestige, authority, and influence.

RECORD GRAIN YIELD IN NEW SOUTH WALES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

SYDNEY, SATURDAY.

The Government statistician estimates the area under wheat in 1915-16 at 5,166,000 acres, as compared with 4,158,000 in the previous season, and the estimated yield at 20,685,000 bags of wheat, and 1,220,000 tons of hay, compared with 4,262,000 bags, and 366,000 tons respectively in the corresponding period of last year. This estimate is equal to over 52,000,000 bushels, and is a record yield. The previous best was 38,000,000 bushels in 1913-14. After allowing for local consumption and seed requirements and a 10 per cent. reduction for possible over-estimation there remain 40,000,000 bushels available for export.

NEW ENGLISH ROMAN CATHOLIC BISHOP.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

ROME, SATURDAY.

Monsignor Thomas Dunn, Canon of Westminster Cathedral, has been appointed Roman Catholic Bishop of Nottingham.

EASTERN FIELD OF WAR.

GERMAN MANŒUVRE FRUSTRATED

BY THEIR OWN GUNS.

FIERCE NEW YEAR BATTLES.

There is nothing of importance from the Russian front. The Austrians describe the battles in Galicia and on the Bessarabian frontier as surpassing in stubbornness all that have yet been fought in this field of war. The Russian attacks were launched four and six times in succession.

RUSSIAN REPORT.

(PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.)

PETROGRAD, SUNDAY.

In the region of Novo Alexandrovsk the Germans, in an attempt to place machine guns on the bank of the Dvina, sent out a company by night disguised in Russian uniforms. The Russians, although astonished to see one of their own detachments in an unexpected position, nevertheless did not suspect any treachery, and went forward to receive the newcomers in a friendly manner when suddenly a German battery opened a murderous fire upon the alleged Russians, who fled panic-stricken. The Russians then understood what had happened, and fired a few effective volleys into the backs of the fleeing Germans. It now appears that the German commander who had ordered the ruse had forgotten to inform the commander of the battery on that road, who consequently practised his skill upon his own men.

AUSTRIAN DESPATCH.

(PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.)

AMSTERDAM, SUNDAY.

The following *communiqué* was issued in Vienna to-day:—

Russian theatre of war.—The new year's battle in Eastern Galicia and on the Bessarabian frontiers continues. The region of Toporoutz, east of Rarancso, was the theatre of a stubborn struggle, surpassing all which have yet been waged on this field of battle in stubbornness. The tenacious enemy advanced four times at some points and six times at others, attacking in columns fourteen deep against a hotly-contested position, but again he was always repulsed, not seldom in hand-to-hand fighting with the bayonet. The proportion of the losses of the enemy are indicated by the fact that in the fighting in this region an Austro-Hungarian brigade counted over a thousand Russian bodies. Two Russian officers and 240 men were captured. The brave defenders maintained all their positions. The Russians did not advance a single foot anywhere.

On the Strypa and in Volhynia there were no special events. The Vienna Landwehr repulsed at Kormin a superior Russian attack.

GREAT GERMAN LOSSES.

(TIMES WAR TELEGRAM, PER PRESS ASSOCIATION.)

PETROGRAD, SUNDAY.

According to prisoners, the Austro-German retreat to the western bank of the Strypa was a terrible experience. The enemy apparently did not anticipate our impetuous onslaught, and on a twenty-mile front had erected only two wooden bridges, by which the artillery and transport were obliged to cross. The infantry forded the stream over treacherous ice, flooded in many places, and retired under ceaseless fire from the Russian troops, which wrought frightful havoc. A single division took a day to cross, and barely half reached their destination. Masses of wounded remained on the Russian bank, and fully 2,000 unwounded men were captured.

A sudden thaw in the Poliesie region has reduced the roads to such a state that the enemy's supplies and heavy guns are stuck in the mire, and he will be fortunate if he succeeds in extricating them in time to save them, in view of our advance, which is methodically conducted along the entire breadth of the Poliesie.

RIGA SAFE.

GENERAL DIMITRIEFF'S STATEMENT.

(PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.)

PARIS, SATURDAY.

M. Caude Anet, correspondent of the *Petit Parisien* with the Russian Army, had a conversation with General Radko Dimitrieff, in which he learnt some instructive and reassuring facts.

General Dimitrieff said—The German forces opposed to me have been depleted of about half their full strength during the course of the offensive, and their ranks have not been reinforced. This is striking proof of the fact that the enemy had no longer sufficient men to permit him to bring up new forces to those parts of the front where they are most needed, and where he is anxious to bring about decisive action. He is not even capable of filling the gaps in his ranks caused by the severe campaign. The Germans cannot take Riga. I have sufficient forces to defend my positions, and I shall defend them. Statements of prisoners which we capture each day and the letters found on them clearly show that the Germans are very weary. They have been too disappointed by assurances that the war would end soon. They are urged on to desperate efforts each time with assurances they will bring about a decisive victory, and that they will soon be able to take a rest. As a matter of fact, the Germans would have been better off in Prussia than here, where the country is in an abominable state. There is water everywhere. Besides, the cold of winter here is much more severe than it is with them.

A REAL BLOCKADE

WELCOMED IN AMERICA.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

NEW YORK, SUNDAY.

The Washington correspondent of the Associated Press, commenting on newspaper reports from London, that the British Government will probably soon declare a regular blockade of Germany, in place of the Orders in Council now affecting trade with that country, says Government officials at Washington believe such action would eliminate many factors which have caused misunderstanding, resulting in diplomatic correspondence, and would remove all question of the legal right of the blockading country to prevent all goods from reaching enemy ports, and would probably settle the doctrine of "ultimate destination," as concerns goods destined for Germany through neutral countries. The State Department, however, has no official information on the reported intention to substitute a blockade for Orders in Council.

GREAT FIRE AT BERGEN.

THOUSANDS OF PERSONS HOMELESS.

OVER £2,000,000 DAMAGE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

CHRISTIANIA, SUNDAY.

A great fire broke out at Bergen yesterday, and raged fiercely until this morning, when it was got under. The fire spread over twenty different quarters, and several thousands of persons are homeless. Among the buildings which have been gutted by the fire are the Central Telephone Exchange, four hotels, and three schools. The town of Stavanger is offering shelter to four thousand refugees.

The fire broke out yesterday evening, and was got under control towards morning. The damage amounts to about £2,780,000. There was, however, no loss of life. It was the largest fire that has ever occurred in Norway. Telegraphic communication is interrupted, except by the railway wires. Subscription lists have been opened here on behalf of sufferers from the fire.

BARALONG CASE.

GERMAN REPLY TO SIR E. GREY.

BRITISH PROPOSAL REJECTED.

REPRISALS THREATENED.

The German Press has worked itself into a white heat over the Baralong case. It seizes upon Germany's reply to Sir Edward Grey's proposal to submit the matter to a Court of American naval officers, to denounce Great Britain for what it describes as a flagrant violation of International Law. The Note itself brushes aside the cases brought against Germany by the English Foreign Secretary, and in rejecting the proposal for arbitration threatens that the German Government now sees itself obliged to take in hand "punishment of this unexpiated crime, and to devise reprisals to meet the British challenge."

This sentiment is vigorously applauded by the German newspapers, who profess to believe that the British Note is a proof that a general order has been issued by His Majesty's Government to destroy all German submarine crews, and not to take them prisoners. In the Reichstag on Saturday the Baralong case was discussed, and the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs assured the House that the Government "would find the right means and way to punish a revolting deed sharply and impressively."

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

AMSTERDAM, SATURDAY.

The *Cologne Gazette* publishes the text of the German reply to Sir Edward Grey's proposal in the Baralong case.

The German Government protests most strongly against the unheard of and unproved accusation against the German Army and Navy, which has observed during the present war the principles of International Law and humanity, and the authorities take care that all violations thereof will be carefully investigated and severely punished.

Dealing with the three cases brought against Germany by Sir Edward Grey, the reply says that they were investigated in due course, and adds—The commander of the submarine who sank the Arabic acted as he did because, in view of the circumstances, he was compelled to the conviction that the steamer was about to ram the submarine. He, therefore, believed he was acting in justifiable self-defence. The case of the attack by a German torpedo destroyer on a British submarine in Danish waters happened in this way. A fight occurred in those waters between the two war vessels, and the submarine defended itself by gunfire.

The reply continues—The charge of violating Danish waters cannot properly be advanced by England, whose naval forces, in a number of cases, have attacked German ships in neutral waters.

As regards the destruction of the steamer Ruel, the German submarine applied measures of reprisal announced by the German Government in February last year. These measures are in accordance with International Law, since England endeavoured by illegally paralysing the legitimate maritime trade of neutrals with Germans to cut off all imports from the latter and bring the German people to starvation. Suitable reprisals may be taken against illegal actions.

In all three cases the German naval forces had in view only the destruction of hostile ships, and in no way the destruction of helpless persons who were endeavouring to save themselves. The contrary assertions by the British Government must be most absolutely repudiated as untrue.

THE BRITISH PROPOSAL.

The German Government considers that it must reject the British proposal to submit the three above-mentioned cases, together with the Baralong case, to a court composed of American naval officers. It takes up the standpoint that accusations raised against the members of the German forces must be investigated by their own competent authorities, and that these offer every guarantee for impartial judgment, and, if necessary, just punishment. Germany does not present any other demand to the British Government in the Baralong case, because she does not doubt that a war tribunal composed of British naval officers would suitably punish such a cowardly and treacherous murder. The demand made by Germany, says the reply, was all the more justified because of the sworn statements of Americans. Thus neutral evidence which was laid before the British Government practically made unquestionable the guilt of the commander and crew of the Baralong. The British method of replying to the German memorandum, it says, corresponds neither in form nor in its contents with the seriousness of the situation, and makes it impossible for the German Government to discuss affairs further with England. The German Government therefore declares that the final result of negotiations is that the British Government, under futile protests, has left unfulfilled the just demand for investigation, and has thereby made itself responsible for a crime which is a disgrace to International Law and to humanity. Evidently, says the reply, the British Government, so far as German submarines are concerned, will no longer observe one of the first rules of war—namely, to spare enemies who are put out of action, hoping thus to hinder German submarines from pursuing their legally recognised cruiser war. The reply terminates by saying that Germany sees herself obliged to take in hand the punishment of this unexpiated crime, and to devise reprisals to meet the British challenge.

THE CASE OF E 17.

DANISH PROTEST AGAINST GERMAN VERSION.

(TIMES WAR TELEGRAM, PER PRESS ASSOCIATION.)

COPENHAGEN, FRIDAY.

The evening papers protest against the version of the firing on the crew of the British submarine E 13, at Saltholm, given in the German Memorandum on the Baralong affair. The *Berlinske Tidende* points out the discrepancy between the official report of the Danish Admiralty and that of the German Government. It says that no fight took place, and adds that after this it is pertinent to ask whether Germany has got other and authentic information about the affair, which would place it in a different light. Such information would naturally be very interesting. The journal reminds Germany that she is making an official excuse for the violation of Danish neutrality.

The *National Tidende* makes a similar comment.

STORM IN THE GERMAN PRESS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

AMSTERDAM, SUNDAY.

The publication of the full text of the British Note on the Baralong affair, and the reply of the German Government, have caused a great storm of the wildest accusations and vituperation in the German Press against Great Britain.

The *Vossische Zeitung* says:—Great Britain's proposal of arbitration is not meant seriously at all. It is a cunning trick. The proposal is meant to create the impression that the British Government does not hesitate to submit matters to the judgment of any impartial personality, but in reality the British Government knows very well that there is no honest sailor who could approve such a deed, and the German Government is quite right in supposing that Germany could confidently place the judgment even in the hands of English officers. We do not believe that the members of the British Navy, who used to fight honourably, have felt anything else but the deepest indignity at the pollution of their honour by the commander of the Baralong. Great Britain has declined all satisfaction, and thereby reprisals are placed in our hands. It would be impolitic to announce to the enemy beforehand the means of reprisal, but Great Britain may be sure that she will not be delighted with our measures.

The *Kreuz Zeitung* says:—The British reply is proof that the British Government has issued a general order to destroy all German submarine crews and not take them prisoners. British sailors and officers who are willing to execute such orders, it says, degrade themselves to the rank of a hangman's servant.

The *Kreuz Zeitung* continues:—The British

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ROLL OF HONOUR.

WEEK-END LISTS.

PERSIAN GULF CASUALTIES.

The week-end casualty lists record the loss of officers—Dead, 24; wounded and missing, 56. Total, 80.

	D.	W.	M.	Total.
France	10	15	—	25
Australians	3	1	2	6
Persian Gulf	11	32	2	45
Naval officers	—	2	2	4
	24	50	6	80

The Persian Gulf list of officers' casualties includes:—The 2nd Leicesters—Killed, 7; wounded, 4; 1st Seaforths, killed, 2; wounded, 13; missing, believed killed, 2; 2nd Black Watch, killed, 2; wounded, 12.

Lieutenant-Colonels A. G. Wauchope and W. M. Thomson, Commanding Officers of the 2nd Black Watch and 1st Seaforths respectively are among the wounded.

EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

The following casualties in the Expeditionary Force are reported from General Headquarters under date 9th January, 1916:—

OFFICERS KILLED.

MacDERMOTT, Sec. Lt. E. W., 8th R.I. Rifles.
WARD, Lt. C. S., 10th Royal Warwickshire Regt.
WYATT, Capt. E. F. B., 3rd S. Lancashire Regt.

OFFICERS DIED OF WOUNDS.

ETHERINGTON, Sec. Lt. H. F., 2nd Dragoon G.
GREGORY, Sec. Lt. J. G., 5th London Regt., T.F.

OFFICERS WOUNDED.

GRINDELL, Capt. G. W., 4th East Yorkshire Regt.
KEMBLE, Lt. R. F., 6th Royal Berkshire Regt.
MATWELL, Lt. A., 20th Royal Fusiliers.
STORY, Lt. D., 10th Royal Warwickshire Regt.
STUART, Sec. Lt. C. A., 22nd Royal Fusiliers.
WOOD, Sec. Lt. C. B. W., 14th Rifle Brigade.

The following casualty in the Expeditionary Force is also reported:—

OFFICER ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

MOORE, Lt. W. H. H., 10th King's Royal Rifle C.

NAVAL CASUALTIES.

The Secretary of the Admiralty announces the following casualties:—

MISSING—12th JANUARY.

Flight Sub-Lieutenant JAMES S. BOLAS, R.N.
Mr DOUGLAS M. BRANSON, Midshipman, R.N.

MEDITERRANEAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE ROYAL NAVAL DIVISION.

SLIGHTLY WOUNDED—4th JANUARY.

Sub-Lieut. JOHN C. FORSTER, R.N.V.R., Hood Batt.
Sub-Lieut. FREDERICK A. COLE, R.N.V.R., Hood Batt.

SUNDAY'S LISTS.

FRANCE.

The following casualties in the Australian Imperial Force with the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force are reported under various dates:—

OFFICERS KILLED.

DODWELL, Lt. M. G. C., 20th Batt. Infantry.
HARCUS, Major J. L., 2nd Batt. Infantry.
JENKINS, Major R. L. H. B., 2nd Batt. Infantry.

OFFICER WOUNDED.

KENNY, Capt. J., 26th Batt. Infantry.

OFFICER WOUNDED AND MISSING.

CURLEWIS, Sec. Lt. K., 14th Batt. Infantry.

OFFICER MISSING, BELIEVED PRISONER OF WAR.

GOODWIN, Lt. T. S. W., 6th Battery, Australian F.A.

The following casualties in the Expeditionary Force are reported from General Headquarters under date 10th January, 1916:—

OFFICER KILLED.

CLARK, Capt. G. E. C., 8th Loyal N. Lancashire R.

OFFICERS DIED OF WOUNDS.

GUTHE, Major T. P., R.F.A.
PONSONBY, Lt. S. L., 12th Middlesex Regt.

OFFICER ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

PEARSON, Capt. E. H., 12th Liverpool Regt.

OFFICERS WOUNDED.

BUSHELL, Lt. E. R., R.F.A.
HUBBARD, Sec. Lt. W. D., 3rd Yorkshire Regt.
HUTCHISON, Sec. Lt. J., 1st Royal Scots Fusiliers.
MAWNER, Sec. Lt. R. V., 3rd Suffolk Regt.
PARKER, Sec. Lt. G. D., 3rd Rifle Brigade.
RANSON, Lt.-Col. W., R.A.M.C.
RAVEN, Sec. Lt. F. P., 3rd Rifle Brigade.
SMYLIE, Lt. R. S., 7th Royal Scots Fusiliers.
TRUPP, Sec. Lt. R. M., 1st Sherwood Foresters.

PERSIAN GULF.

The following casualties are reported from the Persian Gulf under various dates:—

OFFICERS KILLED.

AMES, Capt. R. H., 2nd Leicestershire Regt.
DOWDING, Lt. L., 1st Leicestershire Regt.
GWYTHER, Sec. Lt. G. L., 7th Leicestershire Regt.
HENDERSON, Major E. F., 2nd Leicestershire Regt.
HOWELL, Lt. A. H., 3rd Leicestershire Regt.
MAXWELL, Capt. R. G., 3rd Seaforth H.
MORKISON, Sec. Lt. R. S., 3rd Black Watch.
PLUNKETT, Lt. H. J., 2nd Black Watch.
ROYCE, Lt. D. C., 3rd Leicestershire Regt.

OFFICERS MISSING, BELIEVED KILLED.

BRODIE, Sec. Lt. M. M., 10th Seaforth H.
WYLIE, Sec. Lt. M. M., 1st Seaforth H.

OFFICERS DIED OF WOUNDS.

CAMPBELL, Sec. Lt. L., 3rd A. and S. Highlanders.
PRIVETT, Sec. Lt. A. R., 2nd Leicestershire Regt.

OFFICERS WOUNDED.

AITKEN, Sec. Lt. D. R., 1st Seaforth Highlanders.
ANDERSON, Capt. F., 1st Seaforth Highlanders.
ANDERSON, Lt. J., 1st Seaforth Highlanders.
BENNETT, Major F. L., R.G.A.
BOWIE, Lt. H., 2nd Black Watch.
BUCHANAN, Sec. Lt. K., 11th Black Watch.
COCHRANE, Capt. T. G., 2nd Black Watch.
CUMMING, Sec. Lt. A. B., 3rd Black Watch.
CHRISTIE, Lt. T., 4th A. and S. Highlanders.
CRANSTON, Sec. Lt. J., 3rd Seaforth Highlanders.
DIXON, Sec. Lt. J. F., 4th A. and S. Highlanders.
ELLIOTT, Sec. Lt. P., 3rd Seaforth Highlanders.
GODFREY, Sec. Lt. C. B., 7th Leicestershire Regt.
GREENSHIELDS, Capt. D. J., R.H.A.
HADOW, Sec. Lt. R. H., 3rd A. and S. Highlanders.
HENDERSON, Sec. Lt. T. A., 11th Black Watch.
HUNTER, Sec. Lt. W. C., 3rd Black Watch.
MACFARLANE-GRIEVE, Sec. Lt. R. W., 3rd Black Watch.
M'INTYRE, Capt. A. S., 3rd Leicestershire Regt.
PARK, Capt. M. E., D.S.O., 2nd Black Watch.
PATTERSON, Sec. Lt. J. C., 3rd Black Watch.
PURVIS, Sec. Lt. R. W., 3rd Black Watch.
REDWOOD, Sec. Lt. J. J., 2nd Leicestershire Regt.
RIGBY, Capt. F. J., 3rd Seaforth Highlanders.
ROSS, Capt. R. W., 3rd Seaforth Highlanders.
SCOBIE, Capt. I. H. M., 1st Seaforth H.
SULLIVAN, Sec. Lt. J. D., 1st Seaforth H.
SWINDELLS, Sec. Lt. C. G. R., 7th Leicestershire R.
THOMSON, Lt.-Col. W. M., 1st Seaforth H.
WAUCHOPE, Lt.-Col. A. G., D.S.O., 2nd Black W.
WILMER, Major F. R. G., D.S.O., R.F.A.
WILSON, Sec. Lt. G. F., 1st Seaforth Highlanders.

SATURDAY'S LISTS.

JANUARY 6th, 1916.

The following casualties amongst non-commissioned officers and men of the Expeditionary Force are reported from the Base under date 6th January, 1916:—

IRISH REGIMENTS ONLY.

KILLED.

LONDON REGIMENT (T.F.), 1/18th BATTALION (LONDON IRISH RIFLES).
Butcher, 1561, Pte. G.; Edmonds, 2335, Pte. D. G.; Harvey, 2547, Pte. G. R.; Holness, 3608, L.-Cpl. H. V.; Hudson, 3550, Pte. E.; Jones, 2106, Pte. H. W. D.; Lakeman, 3333, Pte. W.; Peachy, 3525, Pte. S. L.; Perry, 1697, Sergt. R. W. E. C.; Rouse, 3737, Pte. H.; Simmonds, 1658, Pte. J.; Turpin, 2374, Pte. W. H.; Ward, 2971, Pte. A. J. C.; Watts, 1696, Pte. W. A.; Wood, 3495, Pte. A.; Wright, 1092, Pte. E.

WOUNDED.

ROYAL IRISH RIFLES, 2nd BATTALION.
Nelson, 5090, Pte. W.; Ritchie, 6755, L.-Cpl. W.
LONDON REGIMENT (T.F.), 1/18th BATTALION (LONDON IRISH RIFLES).
Barker, 3522, Pte. F.; Hester, 3854, Pte. A. W.

SUFFERING FROM SHOCK, SHELL.

LONDON REGIMENT (T.F.), 1/18th BATTALION (LONDON IRISH RIFLES).
Cresswell, 3122, Pte. R. T.

MISSING.

ROYAL IRISH RIFLES, 9th BATTALION.
Boyd, 17/600, Pte. H.; Campbell, 19421, L.-Cpl. W.; Hackett, 14814, Pte. J.
ROYAL MUNSTER FUSILIERS, 2nd BATTALION.
Crowley, 9991, Pte. J.; Irwin, 6578, Pte. D.; M'Mahon, 5879, Pte. [illegible]
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW REJOINED.
ROYAL MUNSTER FUSILIERS, 2nd BATTALION.
Murphy, 7041, Pte. J.

KILLED OR DIED.

The following non-commissioned officers and men of the Expeditionary Force, previously missing, are now reported killed or died:—

ROYAL IRISH REGIMENT, 1st BATTALION.
Healy, 10700, Pte. J.
ROYAL IRISH REGIMENT, 2nd BATTALION.
Mitchell, 8355, Pte. W.; Morrissey, 10519, Pte. W.; Troy, 6402, L.-Cpl. E.
CONNAUGHT RANGERS, 2nd BATTALION.
Killackey, 10519, Cpl. P.

PRISONER OF WAR.

The following man is reported prisoner of war in an official list received from the German Government:—

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW REPORTED PRISONER OF WAR.
ROYAL DUBLIN FUSILIERS, 2nd BATTALION.
O'Keefe, 9828, Pte. P.

MEDITERRANEAN FORCE.

The following casualties amongst men of the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force are reported under various dates:—

KILLED.

ROYAL DUBLIN FUSILIERS, 6th BATTALION.
Langley, 14353, Pte. G. T.

WOUNDED.

ROYAL INNISKILLING FUSILIERS, 1st BATTALION.
Kane, 10820, Pte. W.; Kelly, 3/23720, Pte. J.; Young, 24333, Pte. J. W.
ROYAL DUBLIN FUSILIERS, 1st BATTALION.
Barry, 5796, Pte. W.; Drew, 16913, Pte. P.; Loughran, 18984, Pte. J.; M'Hugh, 17681, Pte. P.; M'Partlin, 7958, Pte. J.; Mansfield, 23200, Pte. M.; Meade, 9054, Pte. P.
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED WOUNDED, NOW REPORTED WOUNDED AND MISSING.
ROYAL DUBLIN FUSILIERS, 1st BATTALION.
Milne, 17079, Pte. R.

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SPECIAL EXTRA

LOSSES OF THE BELLIGERENTS.

According to the Red Cross of Geneva, says the Paris correspondent of the *Morning Post*, the following were the losses of certain of the belligerents in the first eleven months of the war:—

	Killed.	Wounded.	Prisoners.	Total.
Austria	1,610,000	1,865,000	910,000	4,385,000
England	180,000	200,000	90,000	470,000
Germany	1,630,000	1,850,000	820,000	4,300,000
Turkey	110,000	140,000	95,000	345,000

KAISER RETURNS TO THE FRONT.

A Reuter's Amsterdam message says—An official telegram from Berlin of Saturday's date states that the Kaiser returned to the theatre of war this afternoon.

COMPULSORY SERVICE BILL.

The *Morning Post* strongly urges the Government to deal with the Compulsory Service Bill, which will be considered in Committee this week, resolutely and swiftly. Valuable time has already been irremediably wasted. Indecision and procrastination on the one side, factious and unscrupulous opposition on the other, have wrought much mischief. When the question came to a decided issue the dreaded opposition and the windy threats shrank and dwindled to a contemptible insignificance. Our contemporary deplores the exclusion of Ireland from the scope of the bill, observing that such a slur upon Ireland would be as unfair to the rest of Ireland as it would be unjust to Ulster.

IRISH UNIONISTS AND SERVICE BILL.

The Lobby correspondent of the *Daily News* writes—The Committee stage of the Military Service Bill will be begun in the House of Commons to-day, and the first amendment of importance is that of the Irish Unionists to apply the Act to Ireland. This may take some time in debate, although it is only a parade action, for the Ulster farmers have been hostile to the compulsory policy. But a big Conservative vote is being whipped up, and there will be some Liberal abstentions, so the Government will need support.

RUSSIA'S FINANCES.

I learn on excellent authority, wires the New York financial correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph*, that a powerful American Syndicate, headed by the Guaranty Trust Company of New York, is negotiating with six of Russia's strongest banks regarding the placing of a substantial loan—probably $100,000,000—in the United States. The offering will be made to the American public in the form of acceptances, and will carry a high rate of interest, which has not yet been definitely decided.

KING NICHOLAS'S RESOLVE.

Mr. J. A. Sinclair Pooley, the London *Daily Express* correspondent at Rome, telegraphs that information has been received direct from Cetinje that King Nicholas has no intention of coming to terms with the Austrians. The Montenegrin Army is retreating to Tarabosh, where the defence of Scutari will be made. Prince Mirko of Montenegro has arrived in Rome on a special mission to King Victor Emmanuel, who presided at a special Cabinet Council to consider the Montenegrin situation.

LORD MONTAGU IN PARIS.

Lord Montagu of Beaulieu, who had a wonderful escape from the torpedoed P. and O. liner Persia, has reached Paris, and is staying with his old friend, Lord Bertie, at the British Embassy. Although looking well, and not uncheerful, he is, says the Paris correspondent of the *Daily Mail*, still suffering a good deal from lack of sleep, and pain from nasty wounds in the back of the head behind the right ear, and in the left shoulder and legs. But he is progressing favourably.

CARDINAL MERCIER.

Telegraphing from Rome yesterday, the *Morning Post* correspondent gives an account of Cardinal Mercier's reception in the city. He received, both on Saturday and yesterday, flowers and cards from hundreds of visitors of all classes anxious to show sympathy with this victim of German brutality. Anti-clericals vie with clericals in enthusiasm for him. Thus, M. Destree, an anti-clerical Belgian Deputy, was among those who met him at the station, as was Sir Henry Howard. The Roman Municipal Council has adopted a message of welcome to Cardinal Mercier, as representing the heroic Belgian people.

GREAT FLOODS IN HOLLAND.

Enormous material damage has been caused by the great floods in Holland, and serious loss of life has occurred, says the Rotterdam correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph*. The situation gives rise to much anxiety, although it is believed that the waves will gain no further victory. The most serious fact to remember is that it is the salt waters of the sea that now cover the waterland, which is simply one vast agricultural estate. One authority declares that it will be ten years before the country thus submerged by what is called here the bitter water can be restored to its proper productive quality.

RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE IN BESSARABIA.

Great interest is being taken in the operations on the Bessarabian frontier, says the Budapest correspondent of the *Morning Post*. It seems that the optimistic prediction of the military critics that the offensive here would be short-lived is giving place to uneasiness owing to the persistency with which the Russians are carrying their plan. To-day it is reported that some lines in the foremost positions have been lost owing to the fact that the Russians attacked with seventeen regiments of infantry after only one hour's drumfire bombardment of the positions. This may or may not be true, but it is evident that the Russians are in earnest, and that they have succeeded, in spite of all statements to the contrary, in continuing the offensive under most favourable conditions, and in such strength as to cause grave anxiety as to the further development of their plans.

UNOFFICIAL CASUALTIES.

The following casualties, not yet officially announced, are published by the *Morning Post*:—

Major Herbert William Dumaresque, the Rifle Brigade, was the youngest son of the late William Dumaresque, of London.

Second Lieutenant Philip Edgar Godwin, Indian Army Reserve of Officers, attached to the 6th Jat Light Infantry, killed in the Persian Gulf operations on January 6th-8th.

Lieutenant Charles Sanford Ward, of the Warwickshire Regiment, killed in action, was one of the best boxers Eton has produced.

DIVIDENDS.

GEORGE INGHAM AND CO.—6½ per cent. on Ord., making 10 per cent. for the year.

GUARD BRIDGE PAPER.—Interim of 2.6 per share.

FURNESS, WITHY, AND CO.—Quarterly of 10 per cent. per annum.

D. AND J. FOWLER.—Interim of 6 per cent.

BULLOCH, LADE, AND CO.—Interim of 5 per cent.

HECKMONDWIKE MANUFACTURING.—6½ per cent.

GULF STATES STEEL.—15 1-6 per cent. on the First Pref. Stock.

UNION BANK OF AUSTRALIA.—Dividend and bonus together, amounting to £1 15s. per share, leaving £70,528 to be carried forward.

LLOYD AND YORATH.—At 7 per cent. per annum for the half-year.

PALATINE BANK.—2/6 per share, making 5 per cent. for the year.

STEAD AND SIMPSON.—6 per cent. per annum on Pref., and on the Ord. Shares at 10 per cent.

RIVER PLATE AND GENERAL INVESTMENT.—Further dividend of 2½ per cent. on the Pref. Stock, £5,625; a further dividend of 6 per cent. on the Def., making 10 per cent. for the year.

ROBERT CAMPBELL AND SONS.—Final dividend of 5 per cent., making 10 per cent. for the year, and a bonus of 3/- per share.

ISLE OF MAN BANKING.—Further dividend at 15 per cent. per annum for the past half-year.

DOOLOOGRAM TEA.—Interim of 5 per cent.

LANGEN JAVA.—Final of 12 per cent., making 16 per cent. for the year.

and counterfoils will be forwarded to United States Government.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
WASHINGTON, SATURDAY.

The publication of the cabled summaries of the documents taken from Von Papen is arousing the deepest interest in Government circles here. Count Bernstorff commented—"I don't believe it," when the record of von Papen's expenditure was called to his attention. But to-day German officials attempt to explain the matter by saying that, though the Embassy had advanced von Papen certain sums, von Papen, they add, was responsible only to the Berlin War Office for his expenditure.

LORD DERBY ON COMPULSION.

REPLY TO SIR JOHN SIMON.

WHAT THE COUNTRY NEEDS.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM.)
LIVERPOOL, SATURDAY.

The annual meeting of the Lancashire Division of the National Unionist Association was held this afternoon at the Conservative Club, Dale street, Liverpool. The Earl of Derby, Chairman of the division, presided, and there was a very large gathering of members.

Upon his lordship entering the room, he was given a great reception, the audience rising, cheering, and singing "For he's a jolly good fellow."

A resolution was proposed pledging the members of the division to give whole-hearted support to the Government in any action they might think necessary to bring the war to a successful conclusion.

LORD DERBY.

Lord Derby, speaking in support, referred to his recruiting campaign. He said recruiting was never a pleasant task for those who had it to do, and if one felt diffident in asking men to go, how much more diffident and reluctant one must feel in doing anything which would compel men to go? "You may rest assured," continued his lordship, "that I did everything in my power to avert such a resolution of our present system as is instituted by the present bill. (Hear, hear.) Most people give me credit for having done my best. (Cheers.) Not so, Sir John Simon. A remark he brought in with reference to a speech I made on the day I was appointed to direct recruiting could only have been brought in to try and persuade those who do not know me that I had not done my best. It is true that on that occasion I did say that I felt in the position of a receiver who had stepped in to wind up a bankrupt estate. (A Voice—"Quite right.") But there Sir John stopped. It would hardly have suited his purpose to have spoken the remainder of my sentence, which was that I hoped I should be able to do that with such satisfaction that would enable the creditors to get their 20s. in the £. The system of getting recruits as they were then being got—the hand-to-mouth system of our Army for its support—was bankrupt—(hear, hear)—and it required other methods to be taken to provide what was absolutely essential—namely, a reservoir from which units could be brought up to their full strength, and to maintain them up to their full strength.

THE GROUP SYSTEM.

"It was with that object that the group system was adopted; that it was worked by all parties in the State, and which only just fell short of complete success. (Cheers.) I did all that I could with those who assisted me to bring about a satisfactory result, and let me say to those who oppose the bill now before Parliament what other methods could have been adopted? If the group system had not been adopted, you would have been face to face some weeks back with a position far worse than the present one. It would not have been compulsion with limitations, but it must have been compulsion throughout the length and breadth of the land." (Hear, hear.)

MR. ASQUITH'S PLEDGE.

Dealing with the question of Mr. Asquith's pledge to the married men, his lordship said he hoped that what he was going to say would stifle the criticism which he knew existed. Mr. Asquith had treated him with absolute loyalty from the beginning to the end—(cheers)—and there never was the least doubt that he would fulfil the pledge which he gave. Sir John Simon, and those acting with him now, apparently, were going to ask for further investigation. Further investigation, proceeded Lord Derby, meant further delay, and further delay would be of no advantage; except to the enemy. (Hear, hear.)

SIR JOHN SIMON'S ATTITUDE.

The amendment to the bill, as he understood it, meant that everybody was to be compelled to go before a tribunal and state the causes why he was not ready to serve. Why should a man be compelled to go before a tribunal? The groups were open now, and no man with a just and good reason for not going had only got to go into those groups, and he would have his case fairly considered. Why did the opponents of this bill resent compulsion? The sole reason for Sir John Simon—and his lordship looked upon him as leading that party—was that when it came to compelling those men the number would be so small that they would not be worth compelling. But, whilst we were finding out why they were so small a number—and personally he did not agree they were so small—we were losing the war. He did not for one moment believe that we should find they were a negligible quantity when the war was over. But it was nothing but delay. Sir John Simon could not say that he opposed compulsion as a principle. Sir John was formerly in the Government, and he (Lord Derby) did not think he was wrong in saying that Sir John was one of the first principally concerned in providing the argument for a bill which was compulsion in its very worst form.

THE PASSPORT REGULATION.

It was the compulsion to keep men, whose time of service with the Colours was up, in the ranks as long as the war lasted. In other words, he who had fought from the beginning of the war was to be compelled to go on, whilst the shirker at home, who had done nothing, was not to be compelled. Was not that compulsion in its very worst form? (Cheers.) Another argument tended to prove that Sir John Simon was not entirely opposed to compulsion as a principle: that was the passport regulation issued by him as Home Secretary. That regulation said that no man was to go abroad who was of serviceable age without a passport, and that he had got to show some good reason before he was allowed to go. What was the good of keeping a man in this country who was of serviceable age if you were not going to make him serve? There was no principle in this, and the sole reason, so far as he could see, for the opposition was that there should be a great further delay in bringing about a scheme which would give us the number of men we wanted for the Army. (Cheers.)

A VICTORIOUS CONCLUSION.

There had been so much talk about the particular pledge which had been given to married men by Mr. Asquith that it had hidden from view a far more important pledge which the Premier had given earlier in the war. Mr. Asquith had several times rightly pledged this country that we would do everything in our power to secure a victorious peace, and to give back to Belgium as much or more than she had lost. That was a pledge which had been accepted by the nation. That should be read in connection with Lord Kitchener's speech, in which, referring to this bill, he said that he must have the men to bring the war to a victorious conclusion. There we had a pledge of the whole nation, and in the opinion of our chief military experts the only way in which that pledge could be redeemed was by the passing of the bill now before Parliament. (Cheers.)

"The group system is now open," continued Lord Derby. "I want you to do everything you possibly can to get those who have hitherto held back to join now whilst joining is still voluntary. I have done all I can to make the voluntary system a success up to the eleventh hour and fifty-ninth minute. Here is the last minute, so to speak, of the voluntary system, and I beg of you to do what I shall do, and that is everything in my power to get men who have not hitherto joined to join before that voluntary system finally and definitely comes to an end." (Cheers.)

DECISION WANTED.

Referring to the general aspects of the war, his lordship remarked that now was not the time to go into mistakes that might, unfortunately, have been committed. It was not fair. One could not expect those who were in authority to lay on the table all the cards. There might be reasons for things which had been done which seemed to some absolutely incomprehensible, and there might be reasons which involved our relationship with our Allies, and which was impossible to now lay before the country. Therefore these questions should be left until both sides of them could be considered. He did not mean by that that we should stop criticism as long as it was criticism simply meant to point out to the Government that there were things going on to which the Government's attention should be drawn. There was, no doubt, a very uneasy feeling at the present moment that we were allowing more things to go into Germany than would be allowed if our Navy had its way. We wanted to point that out to the Government, and to say to them—"Do you know it is going on? Unless you have good reasons for allowing it we want you to stop it." (Hear, hear.) Another thing, he thought, they ought to say to the Government was that, rightly or wrongly, they had given the country an idea that they were unsettled about their policy. Things which were Cabinet secrets were talked about, and an idea got abroad that the Government were undecided. The country wanted decision, and the country was determined to have decision. (Cheers.) Lord Derby concluded by saying that he should support that party, whether composed of Unionists or Liberals and Labour men, who would fuse themselves into a National Party for the securing of a lasting peace. (Cheers.)

The resolution was carried, and the remainder of the business was private.

TRADE UNIONISTS AND COMPULSION.

A largely-attended conference was held in Glasgow on Saturday, under the auspices of the Parliamentary Committee of the Scottish Trade Union Congress and of the Executive of the Scottish Labour Party. Mr. David Gilmour, President of the Trade Union Congress, presided.

Mr. Robert Smillie, President Miners' Federation, submitted a motion expressing emphatic condemnation of the Government Military Service Bill, and demanding, even at this late hour, its withdrawal. No amendment, he said, would satisfy him; nothing but withdrawal of the bill.

Mr. McCluskey, of the Glass Bottlemakers, in moving an amendment that they take no action which would weaken or injure the country, but do everything in their power to bring the war to a speedy and victorious end, asked whom they were to believe: Lord Kitchener and the Government or Smillie. If they forced the Government to go to the country those who opposed conscription would be swept aside, and they might have a worse form of conscription in its place. As trade unionists they preached and practised compulsion in their unions.

The motion was carried by a large majority, and a proposal to take a ballot vote of various unions was defeated by a similar margin.

SUPPORTING MR. ROBERTS.

The Leeds Committee of the Typographical Association, at a meeting on Saturday, passed unanimously a resolution expressing hearty appreciation of the attitude of Mr. G. H. Roberts, M.P., on the question of compulsion, and assuring him of their cordial approval of the stand he and his colleagues in the Government have made.

MR. W. C. ANDERSON REFUSED A HEARING.

Mr. W. C. Anderson, M.P., had arranged to address an anti-conscription meeting in Sheffield last evening, but from the outset of the proceedings it was evident that opposition was to be offered. The uproar was sustained for nearly an hour and a half, every attempt to speak being the signal for an outbreak.

A PROTEST FROM SCOTLAND.

At a meeting of the National Council of the Young Scots' Society, held at Edinburgh on Saturday, a resolution was adopted expressing gratification at the remarkable success of the Derby scheme as a signal triumph of the voluntary system, protesting against the hasty introduction of a measure of compulsion on the basis of figures admittedly hypothetical and unreliable, and strongly urging the Government to delay the passing of the Military Service Bill.

AUSTRALIA, AND COMPULSION.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, President of the Board of Education, has received the following cablegram through the Agent-General for New South Wales from the Labour Prime Minister of that State:—

"New South Wales Cabinet desire me to send heartiest congratulations your determination remain in Ministry. Of ten Labour Ministers, seven have individually declared favouring compulsory service during war. Wish you unbounded success."

COMFORTS FOR THE LEINSTERS.

ATHLONE MONSTER FAIR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
ATHLONE, SATURDAY.

The quarterly meeting of the Athlone District Council, at which the Chairman, Mr. E. J. Robins, J.P., presided, received a deputation from the General Committee of the Athlone Monster Fair, of which Lord Castlemaine, H.M.L., was President. The deputation consisted of Mr. John Burgess, J.P., Chairman of the Executive Committee; Mr. Thomas Chapman, Mr. M. J. Hughes, J.P.; Mr. M. Burke, Urban Councillor. They waited on the District Council to secure the support of the rural area of the union for the proposed Monster Fair to send comforts and necessaries to the soldiers of the two local regiments, the Leinsters and the Connaughts.

The deputation was accompanied by the Very Rev. Canon Langan, P.P.

Mr. J. Burgess, J.P., said that in order to give the project all the possible support, a successful public meeting was held in Athlone, when a committee was formed. It had the most influential support of the clergy and other classes in the town area, but they felt that the assistance of the Rural Councillors in the country districts as organisers and canvassers in their own districts to visit, and canvass every farmer was necessary to make it a success.

Very Rev. Canon Langan supported the views of the deputation, reminding the Council that the comforts were for the soldiers on active service—the Leinster Regiment and the Connaught Rangers. The soldiers had risked their lives to fight for the cause of the Allies, and their action has met with the general approval of this country. (Hear, hear.)

The Chairman said he could assure the deputation the full support of the District Councillors to their request. Anything it was possible for them to do they would do it.

The Committee having considered the scheme in detail, it was decided to hold a series of organising meetings at Rosemount, Castledaly, Glasson, and Moate.

FURTHER ACTION IN MULLINGAR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
MULLINGAR, SATURDAY.

At a largely-attended meeting in the County Buildings in furtherance of the movement in Mullingar for funds for comforts for the Leinster Regiment on active service, and for prisoners of war, Mr. J. J. Macken, solicitor, presided.

It was decided to advertise asking relatives of the men serving in the Army and Navy from the district, who are reported as either killed, missing, or prisoners of war, to send full names of such men to the Secretary, Mr. Bennett, T.C., with a view to certificates being issued in each case.

Rev. B. O'Farrell, C.C., Chaplain to the Forces at Mullingar, read a letter from Major Palmer, 2nd Battalion Leinsters, at present in France, enumerating the most acceptable articles for use of the men, including mufflers, stockings, and towels. The writer pointed out that Mrs. Buller Smyth, London, Secretary of the General Fund, could procure these articles.

Mr. Downes said the money should be spent locally, and firms in this country manufacturing stockings and other knitted goods should be asked for quotations, and this was agreed to, and Mr. Downes having supplemented a suggestion of Father O'Farrell that a supply of cigarettes be sent out at once, by a proposal that Irish manufactured cigarettes get a preference, it was decided to get samples of the latter, and include them if approved, with 2,000 packets to be sent to the Leinsters serving in France, and 2,000 packets to the Battalions serving in Greece.

Mr. D. Flood, J.P., said he had been informed by one of the Leinsters home from the trenches that most appreciated of all by the men was a heating apparatus for boiling water and preparing cocoa or tea. He had seen a sample heater that cost about 3s., and he suggested a number of these articles be procured and sent out to the men.

This suggestion was adopted.

RECRUITING MEETINGS IN COUNTY DUBLIN.

Two recruiting meetings were held yesterday, at Chapelizod and Palmerstown, which were well attended. Mr. S. W. Maddock, J.P., who presided at both meetings, said a great responsibility lay upon the Irish people to see that the fifty-three battalions of Irish regiments were kept up to full strength until the war was over. Eleven hundred recruits were required weekly, and Mr. Birrell's figures proved conclusively there was a huge reservoir of men untapped.

Lieutenant Stephen Feary, R.E., delivered an inspiriting address dealing with the gallantry of the Irish regiments at the Dardanelles.

Mr. John Moran said he was convinced that the voluntary system in Ireland would supply the needs of the Irish regiments. The system was now on its trial, and if any alteration had to be made the fault would lie with the men of recruiting age for not coming forward. Ireland needed the service to-day of every able-bodied man, and the time had passed for political catchwords and cries—deeds, not words, were required.

Private Leonard, 10th Battalion R.D. Fusiliers, said his battalion was fast filling up, but there were still vacancies for men who wished to show their patriotism. Silver bullets, money, munitions were all forthcoming, but the men were wanted, too, and badly wanted, to ensure complete victory.

Private Byrne, 10th Battalion R.D. Fusiliers, addressed each man of recruiting age in the crowd with the query: "Why are you not in khaki?" A number of the crowd said "they were waiting to be fetched," which provided Private Byrne with material for the exhortation "that they should come as volunteers, and not as conscripts."

Lieutenant Peter O'Brien, of the Buffs, who was wounded at the Dardanelles, in a forcible speech, concluded the meeting.

The band of the Royal Irish Regiment was in attendance.

RECRUITING CONFERENCE IN KILKENNY.

MR. BIRRELL'S FIGURES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
KILKENNY, SUNDAY.

On Saturday a recruiting conference, convened by Captain J. E. B. Loftus, J.P., Sub-Director of Recruiting for the seventh area, was held in the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Kilkenny. The following were present:—

Alderman M. L. Potter, J.P.; Alderman Thomas Cantwell, J.P.; Captain J. E. B. Loftus, J.P.; Captain J. P. T. Mackey (Recruiting Officer of County Kilkenny), Dr. Denis Walsh, J.P., Graiguenamanagh; Messrs. Thomas F. Murphy, J.P., M.C.C.; Richard White, J.P., Gouran House; Richard Seale, J.P., Johnstown; Richard Ringwood, J.P., Eirke; Thomas Harrington, J.P., M.C.C., Urlingford; Michael Buggy, solicitor; Jas. Harte, solicitor; John Lanigan, solicitor; Jas. McCreery, Sub-Sheriff; Wm. O'Connell, J.P., Bayswell; A. G. L. Dupuis, J.P.; R. Ruskill, J.P., Castlecomer; G. F. Sparrow, Hon. Organiser; and C. J. Kenealy, Organiser and Secretary.

Mr. Thomas F. Murphy, who presided, said it was only in the unavoidable absence of Mr. John Butler, J.P., Chairman, County Council, that he took the chair. The Marquis of Ormonde had consented to act as President, and Mr. John Butler as permanent Chairman of the Committee.

Captain Loftus said that it was the object of the Department of Recruiting in Ireland to form a certain number of Committees throughout the various counties and districts in order to get into touch with local feeling and local sentiment. Kilkenny was really the last part of the area to form a committee, and he hoped that those present would resolve themselves into a Kilkenny Recruiting Committee under the Department. At the outbreak of war a great number of men had come forward in this county and city, and joined the Army; most of those were reservists and special reservists, and a certain number came forward and enlisted voluntarily, but since the Department was formed the number of recruits from this county has not been up to anything like expectations. Proceeding, Captain Loftus said the number of recruits received during the past twelve months in Kilkenny city and county would be considered very large in times of peace, but now we are at war, and when they considered that every man who was available was taken in England, Scotland, Wales, France, Russia, Germany, and Belgium, and in every country in Europe, the number taken from the County Kilkenny during the past year was not very great. The men who had come forward were of a certain class, the labouring classes, and they had done their duty, he was bound to say, in a most magnificent fashion. There were a good many young men still in the county who ought to come forward, and if they did not they would be doing an injury to themselves and their descendants, which would reflect on the prosperity, the credit, and honour of Ireland for untold generations. From the figures given by Mr. Birrell last week in Parliament they would see that in Leinster 27,000 men had enlisted out of a population of 174,000 men. In Ulster, with a population of 164,000, they had got 46,000; in other words, more than for all the other provinces together. He thought those figures were open to doubt, because if they looked at the last census returns they would see that the population of Ulster was 400,000 more than that of Leinster, and he did not see how the male population of Ulster could be less than the male population of Leinster. He thought a mistake had been made, but at the same time there were apparently to be got in Ireland many thousands of young men. These young men were not all going to be asked, but if they got ten per cent of them they would be able to continue to do what they required to do, and that was to keep their Irish regiments filled by Irishmen. The Department of Recruiting purposed forming two battalions—one a Commercial Battalion, which was the 10th Battalion of the Dublin Fusiliers, and which was being filled by young men engaged in commercial pursuits, and the other a Farmers' Battalion, which, if formed, he ventured to say, would be second to none in Ireland, as they would have men of physique—the men they wanted to get at, and who had hardly yet been touched at all. If they filled those battalions the various recruiting committees would have justified their existence, and performed an act of patriotism.

On the proposition of Mr. Harrington, seconded by Mr. O'Connell, Mr. C. J. Kenealy was appointed organiser and secretary to the Committee.

The Marquis of Ormonde was appointed President, and Mr. John Butler, J.P., Chairman of the Committee.

The meeting adjourned.

FIVE BROTHERS AT THE FRONT.

Major Shepard, of the Office of Arms, Dublin Castle, now serving with the Lancashire Fusiliers, has had the honour to receive a message from the King, congratulating him, through Sir Frederick Ponsonby, on his and his five sons' record of service. All five young officers are at the front, and their sister is a Red Cross nurse.

DUBLIN CASTLE RED CROSS HOSPITAL.

A successful whist drive was held in the Café Cairo on Friday evening, under the auspices of the Kenilworth Bowling Club, Rathmines, in aid of the "Kenilworth" bed in Dublin Castle Red Cross Hospital. Players sat down at no less than sixty-six tables. Prizes were presented by the following:—Mrs. O'Brennan, Mrs. Fred. Jones, Mrs. Cooper, and Messrs. W. H. Fletcher, H. A. O'Brennan, T. W. Sixsmith, D. W. Carpmills, and G. W. Cooper. The evening was very agreeably spent, excellent arrangements having been made by the following Committee:—Messrs. Cooper, Carpmills, Mooney, Weir, and F. E. Jones, hon. secretary. It is expected that about £20 will be realised by the drive.

"HOW DUBLIN DOES IT."

Owing to stage difficulties, Mr. Percy French has been obliged to transfer his satirical review, "How Dublin Does It," to the Little Theatre, 40 Upper Sackville street. The whole house, being small, will be reserved at 2s. 6d. The show will start at 8.30 on Wednesday, and there will be matinées on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Booking at Messrs. Pigott's.

BOY CLERKSHIPS.

A New Term in preparation for the next examination will commence at our Dublin College on to-day (Monday). At the Sept., 1915, exam. (latest published Result) 9 of the 13 Successes advertised from Dublin Classes were Students of Skerry's College, 76 Stephen's Green, Dublin.—(Advt.)

ROYAL DUBLIN FUSILIERS.

SUCCESSFUL FETE AT THE ROTUNDA.

DUBLIN'S INTEREST IN FAMOUS REGIMENT.

There was a large attendance in the Pillar Room of the Rotunda, Dublin, on Saturday when the *Fête* in aid of the Comforts Fund of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers was opened for the second and concluding day. The opening function took place at 2.45 p.m., when Mr. Herbert Dudgeon briefly introduced Lady Arnott, who had consented to open the *Fête*, as a lady who was well known all over Ireland for the great personal interest she had taken in the welfare of the soldiers who were fighting so gallantly at the front, as well as the prisoners of war in Germany.

Lady Arnott, who was received with applause, said—Ladies and gentlemen, I feel it is an honour to have been asked to come here to-day to open this Royal Dublin Fusiliers *Fête*. It has been said that the record of the Dublin Fusiliers is the common glory of Irishmen of all creeds, parties, and stations in life, but we have as well a special interest in this great historic Irish Regiment, named as it is after this city, and having for its recruiting area the City and County of Dublin and the adjoining Counties of Wicklow, Carlow, and Kildare. This war has shown the civilian population that the territorial system is an ideal one for them, for it enables the people of a regimental area to combine together to work for the brave men, who have gone from their midst to the battalions of their own local regiment, to play their part on the great battlefields where the fate of our Empire, our race, and ourselves is being determined. Work began for the regiment directly war broke out, but with a growing number of battalions being sent out to the Expeditionary Forces, and with over 500 Dublin Fusiliers helpless captives in Germany and in sore need of food and clothing it became advisable to link up all activities, and to co-ordinate certain committees, and to departmentalise their work into collecting centres. A Central Advisory Committee was formed, composed of representatives from these committees, and a representative from each county in the regimental area, under the chairmanship of the Colonel in command of the regimental home depôt, who is in direct communication with the officers commanding the battalions at the front. In this way accurate information is received as to the needs and requirements of the men, and regular supplies can be sent to them. Great bales are now being sent off every week of woven and knitted comforts from, and through, the Women's Branch, Royal Dublin Fusiliers, 102 Grafton street, and consignments of tobacco and cigarettes, and cases of consumable comforts, such as candles, soap, safety matches, with razors and other articles from, and through, the Royal Dublin Fusiliers' Bureau, at 45 Kildare street. Perhaps we in ease and security at home can hardly realise what these comforts mean to men fighting in mud-sodden trenches in France and Flanders, and in the bitterly cold entrenchments of Salonika. As regards the prisoners of war, two committees are responsible for the sending of food and bread to the 514 Dublin Fusiliers interned in Germany, and are entrusted to see that each man is sent his own individual parcel. We know that Dublin Fusiliers could only have been taken prisoners through wounds or misadventures in moments of desperate fighting, and the utmost that we can do for them in their present terrible position is to send them supplies of food and clothing. All this means an enormous expenditure—the administration expenses are practically *nil*—all workers are voluntary helpers, and Irish firms are giving generous terms on all purchases; but funds still remain a constant need and anxiety. This attractive *Fête* in aid of the Women's Branch for the Royal Dublin Fusiliers and the Prisoners of War has entailed a great deal of work for Mrs. Albany Fetherstonhaugh, and Lady Moore, and the hon. organisers; but it has, I know, been a labour of love to them, and they confidently count on the warm support of the Dublin citizens for the sake of those heroic men who are facing hardships, pain, and death in defence of their country, and in defence of all that is dear to us. I have much pleasure in declaring the *Fête* open, and wish it heartily every success. (Applause.)

On the motion of Mrs. Albany Fetherstonhaugh, seconded by Lady Moore (Glasnevin), a cordial vote of thanks was passed to Lady Arnott for opening the *Fête*, and for the interest which she has taken in the various Committees for the supply of comforts to the men of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers.

Before leaving the platform Lady Arnott was presented with a programme of the *Fête*, the cover of which was beautifully hand-painted by Miss Bunny Stritch and Master Albany Fetherstonhaugh.

During the afternoon and evening there were a series of half-hour concerts, tableaux, sketches, and other amusements, all of which were well patronised. In the afternoon the orchestra at the amusements was under the leadership of Miss Nora Bridge, R.I.A.M., and in the evening session the orchestra was under the direction of Mr. G. L. Pollock, Mr. J. J. Poland, acting as leader.

Judging by the returns available, the *Fête* was financially successful, but still more funds are urgently required to provide the requisite "comforts" for the fighting battalions of Dublin's famous regiment, as well as food for the 500 Dublin Fusiliers who are prisoners of war in Germany.

Much praise is due to the members of the St. John Ambulance Corps, who discharged the responsible duties of stewards with tact and judgment, and thus contributed to the success of the *Fête*.

Thanks are due to the following artists, who so kindly contributed to Miss Maxwell's half-hour concerts:—To Mr. Percy French, for his most entertaining songs and banjo-playing; to Mrs. Thompson, for her delightful rendering of Miss Costelloe's most amusing monologue; to Mrs. De Courcy Millar, Miss O'Connor, Miss Armstrong, Miss Fogarty, Mr. Greer, and Sergeant Clee (6th Cavalry Reserve), for their singing; to Miss Claire Russell, for her clever recitations; to Miss De Groot, for her dancing; and to the pipers of the O.T.C. for their finished playing and dancing of the eightsome reel. The pipers added greatly to the gaiety and attraction of the *Fête*. A special word of praise is due to the capable stage management, which was of so much assistance to Miss Maxwell in the arrangement of her concerts.

ROYAL DUBLIN FUSILIERS.

10th ("PALS'") BATTALION.

The Committee met in the Club Rooms, 85-86 Grafton street, Dublin, on the evening of the 14th inst. Mr. Andrew Jameson, D.L., J.P., presided. There were also present—Sir William Fry, D.L.; Alderman James Moran, J.P., and Edward Lee, J.P., Hon. Treasurers; Sir John Irwin, J.P., Hon. Secretary; Captain Weatherill, Major Arthur Whewell, F. R. Ridgeway, William Sibley, William Findlater, M.A. Lieutenant-Colonel Grattan Esmonde was also present. An apology for absence was received from Mr. Charles E. Sutton.

A request was received from the members of the "B" Company of the battalion to be allowed to hold a concert in the Club Rooms on a date to be arranged, which was approved by the Committee, and the Hon. Secretary was authorised to make the necessary arrangements in connection with same.

The honorary officers' report in connection with the New Year's dinner, which was held in the Mansion House on the 5th inst., was approved, and a hearty vote of thanks to the Lord Mayor for his kindness in granting the use of the Mansion House free of expense was, upon the motion of Sir William Fry, D.L., seconded by Major Arthur Whewell, passed unanimously.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the members' sub-committee had arranged for the holding of a billiard tournament, and the Committee granted a sum to provide prizes for same, as suggested by the Hon. Secretary.

The Department for Recruiting in Ireland forwarded a supply of illustrated booklets, which they have just issued, in connection with the 10th Battalion, and it was arranged that these should be suitably distributed.

A number of voucher application forms was received from the members of the battalion, and it was ordered that these be forwarded to the Sub-Director of Recruiting (Alderman Moran), in order that "Certificates of Honour" may be duly presented to the relatives of the members of the battalion.

The Hon. Treasurers submitted a financial statement, which was approved.

It was arranged that the next meeting of the Committee should be held on the 28th inst. at 5 p.m.

SOLDIERS' CENTRAL CLUB.

We publish elsewhere in our issue of to-day the first list of subscriptions to the Soldiers' Central Club. Further subscriptions are invited for this deserving object, which we feel sure will commend itself to the citizens.

BARALONG CASE.

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5.)

reply shows that the present war is a fight for moral ideals, and that barbarians have, to defend the higher ethics.

The *Lokalanzeiger* violently attacks the British Government, saying that only the guilty conscience of a British politician could produce such a Note.

AMSTERDAM, SUNDAY.

According to a Berlin telegram, the Reichstag yesterday discussed the Baralong case. The Reporter of the Committee to whom the case was referred, Count Westrapt, spoke of the occurrence as a "cowardly murder," and said that German naval heroes fell victims in the honourable exercise of their profession. He described England's reply as a document of shame, and added that the best reply to England would be resolute deeds.

Herr Noske, a Socialist Deputy, also spoke in the same violent strain. He said:—"We know that our Army and Fleet will not allow themselves to be surpassed in humanity, morality, and civilisation by enemy soldiers or sailors."

Herr Zimmermann, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, noted with pleasure the unanimity of the Reichstag in condemning the Baralong affair, and added:—"I can assure the House that the Government will find the right means and way to punish a revolting deed sharply and impressively." (Loud cheers.)

Herr Liebknecht regretted that it had been made impossible for him to protest against the exploitation of the occurrence.

The report of the Committee was adopted, and the House adjourned until Monday.

ROLL OF HONOUR.

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5.)

SUNDAY NIGHT'S LISTS.

JANUARY 7th, 1916.

The following casualties amongst non-commissioned officers and men of the Expeditionary Force are reported from the Base under date 7th January, 1916:—

KILLED.

IRISH GUARDS, 1st BATTALION.
Holmes, 5816, L.-Cpl. W. J.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW REPORTED KILLED.
IRISH GUARDS, 2nd BATTALION.
Quinn, 6552, Pte. P.

DIED OF WOUNDS.

IRISH GUARDS, 1st BATTALION.
Brosnahan, 5963, Pte. T.

WOUNDED.

IRISH GUARDS, 1st BATTALION.
Maguire, 6140, L.-Sergt. J. S.; Quinn, 6232, Pte. P. J.

VARIOUS DATES.

The following casualty in the Expeditionary Force not previously published is reported:—

DIED.

ROYAL IRISH RIFLES, 2nd BATTALION.
Sadlers, 5779, Pte. S.

DIED AS PRISONER OF WAR.

ROYAL IRISH REGIMENT, 2nd BATTALION.
Ward, 4517, Pte. T.

RANK AND FILE.

The week-end lists give the following results:—Dead, 487; wounded and missing, 863; total, 1,350.

JANUARY 6th, 7th, AND VARIOUS DATES.

	D.	W.	M.	Total.
France	288	409	50	747
Mediterranean	133	131	10	274
Balkans	25	100	122	247
Persian Gulf	29	37	2	68
Egypt and Overseas	6	2	—	8

German list of prisoners of war—Died of wounds, 2; died, 4; wounded, 2; prisoners, 15; total, 23.

The Balkans rank and file list includes—The 10th Hampshires—Killed, 23; wounded, 96; missing, 112.

SECOND LIEUTENANT F. LYTTELTON LLOYD ROGERS.

Second Lieutenant Francis Lyttelton Lloyd Rogers, R.F.A., aged 20, who was killed in action in France, was the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyttelton Rogers, 11 Merrion square, Dublin. Before the outbreak of war he was going through the Engineering School, Trinity College, and was a member of the O.T.C. He volunteered for active service the day after war was declared, left for France in August, and had been in many engagements. His captain writes:—"It may be some slight consolation to you to know that he was killed instantaneously, and suffered no pain. All the time that he and I have been together he has done his work most awfully well, and I have lost an officer in whom I could put complete trust to do whatever he was required to. We are burying him to-morrow in the British cemetery." Another officer writes:—"You will have heard before this of the very sad news of your son's death at his post, doing his duty, and seeing that his men were under cover. I feel as if I had lost a friend myself, and can genuinely offer my deep sympathy with you in this time of loss and grief. Many of his brother officers came to the funeral, and the General, too, came, and it was easy to see how really they all felt their loss and yours." Lieutenant Rogers's brother, Mr. R. H. L. Rogers, is also in the Field Artillery, having entered Woolwich before war was declared. He is at present on active service in France.

GRANTS FOR IRISH EDUCATION.

At a meeting of the Academic Council of University College, Galway, the following resolution was passed:—

"That the Academic Council of University College, Galway, strongly protests against the action of the Treasury in stopping some of the already too meagre grants for Irish education. Copies of this resolution to be sent to the First Lord of the Treasury, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Chief Secretary for Ireland, the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, and the Press."

A resolution has been passed by the County Galway (Joint) Technical Instruction Committee also protesting against the stoppage of the grants.

At a special meeting of the College Council of the Belfast College of Irish at the Halls on Thursday, to consider the circular received from the Technical Department notifying the withdrawal of grants for teachers' classes, the President of the Council, the Rev. J. K. O'Neill, P.P., presided.

Mr. Phillip Ward, J.P., Commissioner of National Education, proposed resolutions expressing surprise and concern that it is the intention of the Department of Technical Instruction to withdraw the grant for the teaching of the Irish language and literature in the Gaelic colleges; that, if retrenchment is found necessary, it should certainly not be resorted to at the expense of the educational interests of the country.

The Rev. Professor MacLeanachan, St. Malachy's College, seconded the resolutions, which were supported by Mrs. Byrne, representative of lady principal teachers of Belfast; Miss McNeill, and Miss Doyle, and passed unanimously.

"CARMEL" BAZAAR.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the proposed bazaar in aid of the Carmelite Priory, Whitefriars street, was held on Friday evening. There were present—E. Bermingham, Very Rev. J. J. Cogan, O.C.C., Provincial; M. Cole, T.C.; T. J. Cullen, Dr. W. F. Delany, J. Devlin, T.C.; W. Early, B. P. Fagan, J. J. Healy, Rev. T. P. Kelly, O.C.C.; Very Rev. J. L. McCabe, O.C.C., Prior; J. H. McLoughlin, solicitor, chairman; Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, Dr. J. N. Meenan, G. A. Moonan, Dr. C. M. O'Brien, J. O'Brien, T.C.; Rev. J. P. O'Reilly, O.C.C.; T. F. Read, T. W. Ronayne, J. Rooney, P. J. Sage, J. J. Sheil, solicitor; A. P. Spain. It was decided that the name of the bazaar should be "Carmel"; that Mr. James H. McLoughlin, solicitor, should be elected chairman of the Executive Committee; that the Rev. J. P. O'Reilly and Mr. James Devlin, T.C., be elected honorary treasurers. It was decided to hold a meeting of the ladies interested in the bazaar at an early date. Other important business having been transacted, the Committee adjourned until next Friday evening.

WAR NOTICES AND APPEALS.

MEDICINE BOTTLES.

In order to raise funds for the "Irish War Hospital Supply Depôt," a scheme for collecting empty medicine bottles has been originated, and it is hoped that anyone who can help by giving the above will kindly send a postcard to:—Mrs. Charles G. Jose, 40 Merrion square. On receipt of card arrangements will be made to have the bottles called for. Further particulars will be duly announced.

FEMALE TYPISTS (G.P.O. AND INLAND REVENUE).

Result of last examination, Oct., 1915—Miss M. Luke successful; prepared by Rosse College, Stephen's Green, Dublin.—(Advt.)

IRELAND AND COMPULSION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I was glad to see in your issue of the 13th inst. a letter from "An Old Nationalist" calling attention to a point in the present crisis which seems to have escaped the notice it demands.

As a country, we have only one mouthpiece—our representatives in Parliament. These will be assumed to have voiced the country's sentiments when the history of the present struggle comes to be written. We shall figure as the only pro-"slacker" nation in Europe. It would not affect the question if 99 *per cent.* of the men of military age in Ireland were to come forward under the voluntary system. The fact will remain in the annals of history that Ireland cast her vote in favour of shielding the "slacker," to the sacrifice of the brave man. How any man with a tenth of the love for Ireland which our representatives in Parliament profess could so decide is, to my mind, inconceivable. It was Ireland's greatest chance to prove herself worthy to take her place among the nations, and, alas! she has thrown it away.—Yours, etc.,

"A DISAPPOINTED IRISHMAN."

Co. Clare, January 15th, 1916.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Rome in her declining days relied on the military service of foreign people, whom she hired to fight her campaigns. Her "Silver Spear," the proud Roman boastfully called them. She found to her cost that in the last emergency the "silver spear" bent in her hands, and Rome—like Assyria, Greece, Carthage—passed away. At the commencement of this war, and later even, when we ought to have known better, we, too, through our statesmen, boasted of our silver. The "Silver Bullet," we were told, would win in the end. But the silver bullet is as powerless as the silver spear, and will prove a vain thing in which to trust for safety.

Rightly understood, this boasting of our financial resources, and our failure to back these up by the personal sacrifice of blood, is really placing the Allies of Britain morally in the position of mercenaries. There are signs that this is how it is beginning to strike the imagination of the Allies. Has it not been more than hinted, aye, even stated, that France and Russia have taken this stand, and that it is under pressure from these two Powers at last that conscription has been introduced in England, Scotland, and Wales? And why is Ireland left out? "Fear the Greeks even bearing gifts" used to be the motto of the Irish Party with regard to England. If I were concerned for Home Rule, I would fear this gift of exemption. No matter how well Ireland has done in the matter of recruiting—and beyond question she has done well, and has nobly upheld her military traditions—she ought not to allow herself to be shut out from this great effort of moral support which the Allies have asked from England. Peoples, like individuals, can in the last resort only be judged by their purposeful actions. Ireland ought to see this question from the Allies' point of view. Whether the number of available men is as Mr. Birrell figures out or as more reliable and exact authorities assert, it is the moral effect of remaining out that matters for Ireland, as a nation and an Ally.

Mr. T. W. Russell, shortly before he joined the Liberal Party, published a book, "Ireland and the Empire." Speaking of the possibility of a great Continental war, in which England would, he asserted, sooner or later be engaged, he said:—"And when such a war is waged it will be a life and death struggle—a struggle for national existence." He predicted, almost, that the war must come within twenty-five years from the time he wrote, and he said: "Ireland would be in such a war"—as, he said, she was at the time he wrote, that is, during the Boer War—"the main danger," the "weak point of the Empire." And he thus sums up:—"For England to be controlled, or even hampered, by an Irish Parliament in the midst of such a war is simply unthinkable. . . . . I cannot see, therefore, how from this point of view, an Irish Parliament is possible—how England can ever assent to it." The war has come within half the space of time which Mr. Russell fixed as the utmost limit. England is engaged in a life and death struggle.

Mr. Russell was a member of the English Government when the war broke out. He is a member of it still. Is it because he and his colleagues think that an Irish Parliament would be a menace to the British Empire that they have deprived Ireland of her heritage and rightful place in this struggle? The Home Rule Bill is still inchoate—in embryo, so to speak. Is this an attempt to smother it at birth because Ireland cannot be hustled? No Irishman, be he Unionist or Home Ruler, could think this without anger and shame. No Unionist but would accept the utmost measure of Home Rule rather than suffer this shame.—Yours, etc.,

JOHN WALKER.

Dublin, January 15th, 1916.

IRELAND A NATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—In your issue of the 14th inst. Mr. Dudley Fletcher concludes a letter, under the above heading, by saying: "Let Sir Edward Carson and Mr. Redmond give us a lead in true patriotism, and the whole nation will follow." Does Mr. Fletcher contend that either, or both, of these gentlemen have refrained from giving such a lead? If so, and supposing he should persuade them to comply with his ideas of patriotic leadership, will he include in his phrase, "the whole nation will follow," the Sinn Fein Volunteers who are so rapidly growing in number?

Should he so include them, he will demonstrate his inability to deal with the question, for neither love of Mr. Redmond nor respect for Sir Edward Carson will be found among Sinn Fein adherents. If, on the other hand, he omits them, he will completely nullify his own statement.—Yours, etc.,

DUDLEY E. B. MCCORKELL.

Ballynagard, Londonderry,
January 15th, 1916.

ECCLESIASTICAL BUILDINGS AND SECULAR AFFAIRS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Some time ago Mr. Swift MacNeill, M.P., had a most interesting letter in your paper on the above subject, and in this letter he made the following statement:—"The Volunteer Convention of February, 1782, in Dungannon, which laid the foundation of Irish Parliamentary independence, was held in the parish church of that town—an historic building, which has now been replaced by a more imposing, but less interesting, structure."

When I saw this statement I believed Mr. MacNeill was wrong as to the building in which the "historic Convention" was held, inasmuch as I was certain that I had seen wood-cuts in various magazines of the building referred to, and stating it was not the parish church of Dungannon, but the First Dungannon Presbyterian Church. I had, however, no means of verifying the correctness of my belief, so I drew the attention to it of one who is regarded in the North as an authority on such matters—namely, the Rev. W. T. Latimer, M.A., D.D., senior minister of Eglish, Dungannon, and author of a well-known "History of the Irish Presbyterian Church."

Dr. Latimer says that he believes I am right regarding the meeting place of the Volunteers, and that no less than "three meetings were held in First Dungannon Presbyterian Church—the walls of which remain, but a new stone-finished addition has added to the thickness of the walls outside, and transepts were built. Here," continues Dr. Latimer, "the Volunteers met in 1782 and 1783, and the county delegates in 1793. The *News-Letter* in 1783 gives this building as the place of meeting that year, and the *Northern Star* of 1793 does the same with regard to the third meeting, while, with regard to 1782, the *Anthologia Hibernica* (a Dublin periodical) in 1793 published a wood-cut of the Presbyterian church as the building in which all these three meetings were held. Besides, an old man named Ben Brown, who had been present, and was alive after Dr. Morell's ordination, told him (Dr. Morell) the same thing, and this the doctor told me (Dr. Latimer)."

The Rev. Dr. Morell was for many years minister of Dungannon. It would, therefore, seem certain that Mr. MacNeill was wrong as regards the exact building in which the famous Convention was held; but I am sure that he will be interested to find that three meetings were held there, and that the walls still remain.—Yours, etc.,

J. J. K. JOHNSTON.

Cranryvale, Fintona,
January 15th, 1916.

A DUBLIN D.C.M.

Company Sergeant-Major J. Driscoll, 1st Battalion Royal Irish Rifles, who has just been awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal, is a Dublin man. In addition to the present war, he went through the South African War with the mounted infantry company of the 2nd Battalion Royal Irish Rifles, for which he holds the Queen's and King's medals.

Fashionable Intelligence.

The Duchess of Somerset has returned to London from Maiden Bradley, Batley.

The Marquis of Ailsa has arrived in London from Culzean Castle.

The Marquis of Sligo has left Kingstown for England.

Viscount Downe has arrived in London from Dingley Hall.

The Countess of Rosse has left Kingstown for England.

Lord D'Abernon has left London for Scotland.

Lord Louth has arrived at Kingstown from England.

Lady Dunsany has left Kingstown for England.

Switzer's Annual Sale this day.

Special Sale of Blouses at Holmes', George's street.

20 dozen Blouses, Ninon veiled over shadow lace, pretty vest effect, pleated collar, new sleeve, clearing at 4s. 11d., in all the leading shades.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd.

Heavy Weight Tailored Crepe-de-Chene Blouses, Raglan sleeve, collar may be worn open or closed, costume shades, 6s. 11d., at Holmes', George's street.

At Holmes' Sale—Shetland Wool Breakfast Coats in White, Rose, Sax, Tan, Sand and Sax. Sale Price, 3s. 6½d., 4s. 9½d.—69, 70, 71 George's street.

You'll want more silver bullets than ever during 1916—that's why you should retrench, and take the proffered assistance of the Dartry Dye Works, Dartry road, Dublin.

Arrivals at Kingstown per Royal Mail Steamers, January 15 and 16—Commander Philpott, Captain E. Wade Thompson, Captain Southby, Major and Mrs. Kinsman, Thomas Lundon, M.P.; Major Cuffe, D.S.O.; Lieutenant T. McCheane, Lieutenant T. Beatty, Lieutenant-Colonel Concanon, D.S.O.; Lieutenant Gwynne, R.N.R.; Lieutenant Forbes Small, Lieutenant L. C. Sweeny, Captain W. B. Cathcart, Lieutenant W. J. Dowling, Captain W. A. Adams, 9th Canadians; Lord Louth, Major and Mrs. Underwood, Lieutenant Herbert Goring, Colonel G. Ormsby, D.S.O.; Colonel Abbot, Lieutenant Black, R.N.R.; Second Lieutenant H. A. Stokes, Mrs. S. H. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. O'Connor, Mrs. George Massey, E. J. A. Burke, J. O. Holliday, G. F. Paterson, J. B. R. Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bockey, Mrs. J. Bewley, Miss Violet Beatty, J. B. Concanon, Miss Concanon, Sydney Macet, F. W. Crosley, Mrs. R. R. Brunskill, Mrs. Owen A. Armstrong, J. S. Lewis, W. P. Towne, John Clancy, Miss Clancy, A. Warren Seales, W. J. Dollar, J.P.; Geo. P. Swiss, F. McLaughlin, Mrs. S. I. D'Arcy, T. Callan Macardle, Miss Joan Armstrong.

Departures from Kingstown per Royal Mail Steamers, January 14 and 15—Lord Dunsany, Countess of Rosse, Colonel de Burgh, C.B.; Captain Knox, Major C. Saunders, Colonel J. Leslie, Captain Daly, Captain and Mrs. Gibson, Dr. and Mrs. Crawford, Dr. Hastings and Miss Hastings, Countess Mills, Marquis of Sligo, Hon. Mrs. O'Brien, Captain and Mrs. Partridge, Captain Barr, Second Lieutenant R. M. Dixon, Lieutenant Frank Kean, R.A.M.C.; Lieutenant F. J. Egan, R.N.R.; Miss Ormsby Lloyd, C. S. T. Morrison, Miss May Swift, Miss Cuthill, R. Chenevix, Mr. and Mrs. Conan, Mrs. Godfrey Massey, Mrs. Fetherstonhaugh, F. C. Pilkington, Miss Gladys Atkinson, A. E. Robinson, Miss Ora Marill, H. Fitzherald Campbell, G. E. G. Forrest, Miss Kelly, J. W. Milne, Miss Daly, Miss Hazel Daly, G. B. Todd, Miss Mitchell, Mrs. Lauder, Miss McCarthy, Miss Lauder, D. C. Cottrell, C. B. Lauder, Charles H. O'Connor, Miss J. W. Flanagan, Miss Gwendolen Graham, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Teench, Cadet J. Kenny; Miss Lilian Dennis, R. W. K. Wilson, W. G. Marshall, T. Cougill, V. J. O'Hare, R.N.R.

Departures from Rosslare per Great Western Railway Company's Express Steamers—M. Williams, D. Ryan, R.N., M. J. Colbert, R.N.; Second Lieutenant L. G. Abbot Anderson, Lieutenant R. G. H. Iast, R.N., R. Thorpe, Mrs. Starke, Mrs. Deckinge, E. A. Murphy, J. E. Murphy, L.R.C.P. and S.; G. C. Edwards, E. McClelland, J. Roche, E. A. Gregory, Geo. Watters, Miss E. Gilbert Lythe.

Sale of High-Class Furs and Costumes at moderate prices. All orders reduced during Sale.—Coyle, Grafton street.

Slyne and Co., during the next two weeks, are making their 5½ guinea Suits for 5 guineas.—71 Grafton street.

Sale—Big Reductions in Fur and Fur-lined Coats, Tailor Gowns, Furs, to clear.—Schreier, 156 Stephen's Green.

Furs, Furs—Expiration of Lease. Retiring Sale. Entire Stock of High-Class Furs, etc., selling off, regardless of cost, at Wheatley's, 19 Nassau street.

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Doyle's Stocktaking Sale of Footwear now on. Great Bargains.—58 Mary street, Dublin.

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Interesting to Lady Motorists—Unique Sale Bargain this week—Fine Leather-lined Harris Tweed Coats, 3 gns.—Dufranne, D'Olier st., Dublin.

BALLYMONEY'S RECORD.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—As Secretary of the Ballymoney Red Cross Auction Sale, I wish to bring before you, for the benefit of your readers, the war spirit that has been shown in this town. I send you a *Coleraine Chronicle*, in which you will see that the town and district have subscribed a gross amount of £1,666 14s. 4d. Already they had subscribed to the Prince of Wales's Fund over £1,000. They have given £400 for the support of thirty Belgian refugees in the district. Four street flag collections realised over £160, while other miscellaneous collections for Red Cross, Belgian, Serbian, and other funds make up a grand total of £3,500 given to war charities.

In addition, it is well to point out that, up to the first of January last, 280 men, out of the urban district only, are serving with the Colours. As our population is under 3,000 in a purely agricultural district, with no factories of any kind; a proportion of one in ten is much above the average.—Yours, etc.,

JAMES HANNA.

Linenhall street, Ballymoney,
January 15th, 1916.

MUSIC AND THE WAR.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—If my information is accurate, the real objection to the use of the tune "Austria" lies far deeper than the trifling circumstance referred to by your correspondent, "I. C.," and in your leading article—that it is "German" music, and is sung to the Austrian National Anthem. I have been told by a friend who was educated in Germany that it is the tune to which is sung that devil's chant, "*Deutschland, Deutschland ueber Alles.*" If this is so, the deeds to which it has been the accompaniment in Belgium—rape, murder, slaughter of innocents, and infamy of every kind—are so terrible and abominable that I, for one, would not willingly remain in church when it was being performed. Even a tune that is good in itself may become suggestive of such awful abominations that it ought to be allowed to fade from the memories of decent people.—Yours, etc.,

T. C. TOBIAS.

37 Dawson street, Dublin,
January 15th, 1916.

THE HOGAN STATUE OF THOMAS DAVIS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Mr. Oliver Sheppard, in his recent lecture on "Sculpture" at the Municipal Art Gallery, referred to the Davis statue, and gave as a reason for its suggested removal from Mount Jerome that "it was not fitting that such a work of art should be retained in the open air, where it was liable to serious damage." In reply, the statue has been for the past four years safely housed in the Mortuary Chapel, so that visitors have easy access to what many consider to be Hogan's masterpiece.—Yours, etc.,

S. W. MADDOCK.

Mount Jerome House, Dublin,
January 15th, 1916.

PRICE OF WHEAT.

At Newcastle Corn Market on Saturday wheat rose 1s. 6d. to 2s. At Northampton wheat rose 1s.

LADY CLERKSHIPS, BANK OF IRELAND.

At the last 4 exams. 19 Students were successful from Skerry's College, 76 Stephen's Green, Dublin, including 4 of the 6 appointments at the last exam.—(Advt.)

THE AMERICAN MARKETS.

STOCKS CLOSED IRREGULAR.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)
NEW YORK, SATURDAY.

Stocks to-day have been active, but the movements more or less were confusing, the market closing irregular. Government Bonds steady. Railroad Bonds strong.

Gains—Chicago, North-Western Preferred 1; Illinois Central, ½; and Missouri Kansas Second Mortgage and Reading First Preferred, ½.

Losses—United States Steel Common, ½, and Denver Rio Grande Common and Chicago Rock Island, 1½.

Money nominal. Sterling exchange weak. Silver commercial bars ¼ down.

The weekly return of the New York Clearing House shows the following aggregate changes compared with the previous return:—Loans, 15,870,000 dollars; increase reserve in Federal reserve banks, 1,430,000 dollars; increase reserve other depositories, 1,140,000 dollars; increase net demand deposits, 34,730,000 dollars; increase net time deposits, 320,000 dollars; increase circulation, 250,000 dollars; decrease excess reserve, 11,890,000 dollars.

CLOSING PRICES.

Eng. Parity.	Stocks.	Closing Bid Prices. Fri.	Sat.	Business Done.	
103½	U.S. 2% Funded	99	99	—	—
112⅛	Atch., Top., Santa Fe	106⅝	106½	—	—
104½	Do. Preference	99½	99½	—	—
99¼	Do. New 4% Gen. Mt.	94⅞	94	—	—
112⅛	Do. 4% Con. Bds.	106⅝	106⅝	—	—
99⅝	Baltimore and Ohio	94¼	94¼	—	—
83⅝	Do. Preferred	79⅛	79	—	—
188⅛	Canadian Pacific	178⅝	179⅛	—	—
105¾	Chic., Mil., & St. Paul	101	101½	—	—
141⅜	Do. Preferred	134⅝	134⅛	—	—
181⅛	Chic. & N. W. Pf.	172	173	—	—
18⅛	Chic., Rock I. & Pacific	19⅛	17⅞	—	—
12⅞	Denver & Rio Grande	13⅛	12	—	—
22⅛	Do. Preferred	20⅞	21	—	—
43⅛	Erie Railroad	41⅛	41	—	—
59⅛	Do. 1st Preferred	57	57	—	—
80⅛	Do. Lien Bonds	76⅝	76⅛		
112⅛	Illinois Central	106⅛	107		
135⅛	Louisville & Nashville	129	129		
6⅜	Miss'ri Kan. & Texas	6⅛	6⅛	—	—
52⅛	Do. 2nd Mt. 4% G. Bs.	49⅛	50	—	—
6⅜	Missouri Pacific	6⅛	6⅛	—	—
115⅛	N.Y. Ctl. & Hudson R.	110	110	—	—
126	Norfolk & Westn. Cm.	120	120	—	—
125	Do. 4% Con. Bds.	119⅛	119		
30⅛	Ontario & Western	29	29		
61⅛	Pennsylvania Shares	58⅛	58		
85⅛	Reading Shares	82⅛	81		
45⅛	Do. 1st Preferred	43	43		
100	Do. 4% Mort.	95⅛	95		
24⅛	Southern Railway	23⅛	23		
67⅛	Do. Preferred	64	64		
107⅛	Southern Pacific	102⅛	102		
144⅛	Union Pacific	137⅛	137⅛	⅛	
86⅛	Do. Preferred	82	82		
17⅛	Wabash New	16⅛	16		
50⅛	Do. Preferred A	48⅛	48		
90⅛	U.S. Steel Common	86⅛	86		
123⅛	Do. Preferred	117	117		
—	Silver Commerc'l Bars	57	56		

* asked. † ex div. ‡ ex int.

The London parity prices are at current rate of exchange, exclusive of the cost of insurance.

	Fri.	Sat.
Call Money	1¾ to 2	
Ex. on London, 60 days' sight	4.71.50	
Cable Transfers	4.77.15	
Ex. on Paris, sight	5.84	
Ex. on Berlin, sight	76⅛	
Cotton, Middling, Upland	12.50	
Petroleum, Refined, in cases	11.00	
Petroleum, Standard, White	8.65	
Petroleum, Pipe Line Certs.	2.25	
Spirits of Turpentine	57⅛	
Lard, Prime Western Steam	10.77½	
Tallow, Special	9⅛	
Sugar Centrifugal (duty paid)	4.52	
Corn, Western No. 2 Mixed	84⅛	
Wheat, Spring, No. 1, Northn.	143⅛	
Do. No. 2 Hard Winter	140⅛	
Coffee, Rio, No. 7	8	
Flour, Spring Wheat, Clears New	5.20 5.35	
Iron, No. 2 Northern Foundry	19.75 20.25	
Tin, Straits	41	41
Copper, Standard		
Freight, Grain, steamers to Liverpool, per bushel	21½	
Freight, Grain, steamers to London, per bushel	24½	24½
Freight, Cotton, to Liverpool	308	

PHILADELPHIA.

Petroleum, Standard White	8.65	

NEW ORLEANS.

Cotton, Middling	12.19	

SAVANNAH.

Spirits of Turpentine	1 55.00	

PRODUCE MARKETS.

WHEAT dull. [illegible]

Today [illegible]
Previous day [illegible]

CORN easy for spot. COFFEE declined on light selling. Spot quiet.

Today [illegible]
Previous day [illegible]

SUGAR steady.

COTTON advanced on [illegible] cotton trade [illegible] closed barely steady. [illegible]

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apl.	May.
To-day	12.29	12.38	12.47	12.52	12.69
Prev. day	12.30	12.39	12.49	12.59	12.73

COTTON OIL firm [illegible]. PETROLEUM—Refined steady [illegible]. METAL market closed. [illegible] Cash market steady [illegible]

WHEAT opened easy [illegible] further receded on larger [illegible] weaker Liverpool cables [illegible] in the South-West, and [illegible] under reports of [illegible] market closed barely steady [illegible]

MOVEMENTS OF GRAIN.

	To-day.	Last Year.
WHEAT. Receipts—Western Ports	835	628
MAIZE. Receipts—Western Ports	703	360

To-day [illegible]
Previous day [illegible]

CORN opened easy [illegible] lower for a time on larger [illegible] able weather, and outsiders [illegible] covering checked the decline [illegible] barely steady [illegible]

To-day [illegible]
Previous day [illegible]

OATS steady and unchanged [illegible]

To-day [illegible]
Previous day [illegible]

PROVISIONS opened barely steady [illegible]

LARD—

To-day 10.55
Previous day 10.62½

PORK—

To-day
Previous day

RIBS—

To-day
Previous day

BACON 12 to 15 points [illegible] at 15 principal Western [illegible] since November 1st [illegible] last year. Monday's [illegible] are estimated at 75,000. [illegible] totalled 250,000 [illegible] 197,000 in the corresponding [illegible] HOGS easy [illegible]

REMARKABLE TRAM ACCIDENT.

Fifteen persons were injured in an accident at Dudley last evening. A double-decked car, with thirty persons [illegible] Wednesbury direction, was started [illegible] Dudley terminus without the driver [illegible] post, and travelled about a quarter [illegible] before it was noticed that the driver [illegible] on the platform. By this time the car [illegible] attained a good speed on a slight [illegible] and before the conductor could get [illegible] brakes from the inside of the car [illegible] was issuing tickets, the vehicle [illegible] point, tore up the roadway for ten [illegible] yards, and then overturned. Sixteen [illegible] were taken to the Borough Hospital [illegible] were detained. Two men were [illegible] ported in a serious condition.

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(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

WASHINGTON, SATURDAY.

The publication of the cabled summaries of the documents taken from Von Papen is arousing the deepest interest in Government circles here. Count Bernstorff commented—"I don't believe it," when the record of von Papen's expenditure was called to his attention. But to-day German officials attempt to explain the matter by saying that, though the Embassy had advanced von Papen certain sums, von Papen, they add, was responsible only to the Berlin War Office for his expenditure.

LORD DERBY ON COMPULSION.

REPLY TO SIR JOHN SIMON.

WHAT THE COUNTRY NEEDS.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM.)

LIVERPOOL, SATURDAY.

The annual meeting of the Lancashire Division of the National Unionist Association was held this afternoon at the Conservative Club, Dale street, Liverpool. The Earl of Derby, Chairman of the division, presided, and there was a very large gathering of members.

Upon his lordship entering the room, he was given a great reception, the audience rising, cheering, and singing "For he's a jolly good fellow."

A resolution was proposed pledging the members of the division to give whole-hearted support to the Government in any action they might think necessary to bring the war to a successful conclusion.

LORD DERBY.

Lord Derby, speaking in support, referred to his recruiting campaign. He said recruiting was never a pleasant task for those who had it to do, and if one felt diffident in asking men to go, how much more diffident and reluctant one must feel in doing anything which would compel men to go? "You may rest assured," continued his lordship, "that I did everything in my power to avert such a resolution of our present system as is instituted by the present bill. (Hear, hear.) Most people give me credit for having done my best. (Cheers.) Not so, Sir John Simon. A remark he brought in with reference to a speech I made on the day I was appointed to direct recruiting could only have been brought in to try and persuade those who do not know me that I had not done my best. It is true that on that occasion I did say that I felt in the position of a receiver who had stepped in to wind up a bankrupt estate. (A Voice—"Quite right.") But there Sir John stopped. It would hardly have suited his purpose to have spoken the remainder of my sentence, which was that I hoped I should be able to do that with such satisfaction that would enable the creditors to get their 20s. in the £. The system of getting recruits as they were then being got—the hand-to-mouth system of our Army for its support—was bankrupt—(hear, hear)—and it required other methods to be taken to provide what was absolutely essential—namely, a reservoir from which units could be brought up to their full strength, and to maintain them up to their full strength.

THE GROUP SYSTEM.

"It was with that object that the group system was adopted; that it was worked by all parties in the State, and which only just fell short of complete success. (Cheers.) I did all that I could with those who assisted me to bring about a satisfactory result, and let me say to those who oppose the bill now before Parliament what other methods could have been adopted? If the group system had not been adopted, you would have been face to face some weeks back with a position far worse than the present one. It would not have been compulsion with limitations, but it must have been compulsion throughout the length and breadth of the land." (Hear, hear.)

MR. ASQUITH'S PLEDGE.

Dealing with the question of Mr. Asquith's pledge to the married men, his lordship said he hoped that what he was going to say would stifle the criticism which he knew existed. Mr Asquith had treated him with absolute loyalty from the beginning, to the end—(cheers)—and there never was the least doubt that he would fulfil the pledge which he gave. Sir John Simon, and those acting with him now, apparently, were going to ask for further investigation. Further investigation, proceeded Lord Derby, meant further delay, and further delay would be of no advantage, except to the enemy. (Hear, hear.)

SIR JOHN SIMON'S ATTITUDE.

The amendment to the bill, as he understood it, meant that everybody was to be compelled to go before a tribunal and state the causes why he was not ready to serve. Why should a man be compelled to go before a tribunal? The groups were open now, and no man with a just and good reason for not going had only got to go into those groups and he would have his case fairly considered. Why did the opponents of this bill resent compulsion? The sole reason for Sir John Simon—and his lordship looked upon him as leading that party—was that when it came to compelling those men the number would be so small that they would not be worth compelling. But, whilst we were finding out why they were so small a number—and personally he did not agree they were so small—we were losing the war. He did not for one moment believe that we should find they were a negligible quantity when the war was over. But it was nothing but delay. Sir John Simon could not say that he opposed compulsion as a principle. Sir John was formerly in the Government, and he (Lord Derby) did not think he was wrong in saying that Sir John was one of the first principally concerned in providing the argument for a bill which was compulsion in its very worst form.

THE PASSPORT REGULATION.

It was the compulsion to keep men, whose time of service with the Colours was up, in the ranks as long as the war lasted. In other words, he who had fought from the beginning of the war was to be compelled to go on, whilst the shirker at home, who had done nothing, was not to be compelled. Was not this compulsion in its very worst form? (Cheers.) Another argument tended to prove that Sir John Simon was not entirely opposed to compulsion as a principle: that was the passport regulation issued by him as Home Secretary. That regulation said that no man was to go abroad who was of serviceable age without a passport, and that he had got to show some good reason before he was allowed to go. What was the good of keeping a man in this country who was of serviceable age if you were not going to make him serve? There was no principle in this, and the sole reason, so far as he could see, for the opposition was that there should be a great further delay in bringing about a scheme which would give us the number of men we wanted for the Army. (Cheers.)

A VICTORIOUS CONCLUSION.

There had been so much talk about the particular pledge which had been given to married men by Mr. Asquith that it had hidden from view a far more important pledge which the Premier had given earlier in the war. Mr. Asquith had several times rightly pledged this country that we would do everything in our power to secure a victorious peace, and to give back to Belgium as much or more than she had lost. That was a pledge which had been accepted by the nation. That should be read in connection with Lord Kitchener's speech, in which, referring to this bill, he said that he must have the men to bring the war to a victorious conclusion. There we had a pledge of the whole nation, and in the opinion of our chief military experts the only way in which that pledge could be redeemed was by the passing of the bill now before Parliament. (Cheers.)

"The group system is now open," continued Lord Derby. "I want you to do everything you possibly can to get those who have hitherto held back to join now whilst joining is still voluntary. I have done all I can to make the voluntary system a success up to the eleventh hour and fifty-ninth minute. Here is the last minute, so to speak, of the voluntary system, and I beg of you to do what I shall do, and that is everything in my power to get men who have not hitherto joined to join before that voluntary system finally and definitely comes to an end." (Cheers.)

DECISION WANTED.

Referring to the general aspects of the war, his lordship remarked that now was not the time to go into mistakes that might, unfortunately, have been committed. It was not fair. One could not expect those who were in authority to lay on the table all the cards. There might be reasons for things which had been done which seemed to some absolutely incomprehensible, and there might be reasons which involved our relationship with our Allies, and which was impossible to now lay before the country. Therefore these questions should be left until both sides of them could be considered. He did not mean by that that we should stop criticism so long as it was criticism simply meant to point out to the Government that there were things going on to which the Government's attention should be drawn. There was, no doubt, a very uneasy feeling at the present moment that we were allowing more things to go into Germany than would be allowed if our Navy had its way. We wanted to point that out to the Government, and to say to them—"Do you know it is going on? Unless you have good reasons for allowing it we want you to stop it." (Hear, hear.) Another thing, he thought, they ought to say to the Government was that, rightly or wrongly, they had given the country an idea that they were unsettled about their policy. Things which were Cabinet secrets were talked about, and an idea got abroad that the Government were undecided. The country wanted decision, and the country was determined to have decision. (Cheers.) Lord Derby concluded by saying that he should support that party, whether composed of Unionists or Liberals and Labour men, who would fuse themselves into a National Party for the securing of a lasting peace. (Cheers.)

The resolution was carried, and the remainder of the business was private.

TRADE UNIONISTS AND COMPULSION.

A largely-attended conference was held in Glasgow on Saturday, under the auspices of the Parliamentary Committee of the Scottish Trade Union Congress and of the Executive of the Scottish Labour Party. Mr. David Gilmour, President of the Trade Union Congress, presided.

Mr. Robert Smillie, President Miners' Federation, submitted a motion expressing emphatic condemnation of the Government Military Service Bill, and demanding, even at this late hour, its withdrawal. No amendment, he said, would satisfy him; nothing but withdrawal of the bill.

Mr. McCluskey, of the Glass Bottlemakers, in moving an amendment that they take no action which would weaken or injure the country, but do everything in their power to bring the war to a speedy and victorious end, asked whom they were to believe: Lord Kitchener and the Government or Smillie. If they forced the Government to go to the country those who opposed conscription would be swept aside, and they might have a worse form of conscription in its place. As trade unionists they preached and practised compulsion in their unions.

The motion was carried by a large majority, and a proposal to take a ballot vote of various unions was defeated by a similar margin.

SUPPORTING MR. ROBERTS.

The Leeds Committee of the Typographical Association, at a meeting on Saturday, passed unanimously a resolution expressing hearty appreciation of the attitude of Mr. G. H. Roberts, M.P., on the question of compulsion, and assuring him of their cordial approval of the stand he and his colleagues in the Government have made.

MR. W. C. ANDERSON REFUSED A HEARING.

Mr. W. C. Anderson, M.P., had arranged to address an anti-conscription meeting in Sheffield last evening, but from the outset of the proceedings it was evident that opposition was to be offered. The uproar was sustained for nearly an hour and a half, every attempt to speak being the signal for an outbreak.

A PROTEST FROM SCOTLAND.

At a meeting of the National Council of the Young Scots' Society, held at Edinburgh on Saturday, a resolution was adopted expressing gratification at the remarkable success of the Derby scheme as a signal triumph of the voluntary system, protesting against the hasty introduction of a measure of compulsion on the basis of figures admittedly hypothetical and unreliable, and strongly urging the Government to delay the passing of the Military Service Bill.

AUSTRALIA AND COMPULSION.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, President of the Board of Education, has received the following cablegram through the Agent-General for New South Wales from the Labour Prime Minister of that State:—

"New South Wales Cabinet desire me to send heartiest congratulations your determination remain in Ministry. Of ten Labour Ministers, seven have individually declared favouring compulsory service during war. Wish you unbounded success."

COMFORTS FOR THE LEINSTERS.

ATHLONE MONSTER FAIR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ATHLONE, SATURDAY.

The quarterly meeting of the Athlone District Council, at which the Chairman, Mr. E. J. Robins, J.P., presided, received a deputation from the General Committee of the Athlone Monster Fair, of which Lord Castlemaine, H.M.L., was President. The deputation consisted of Mr. John Burgess, J.P., Chairman of the Executive Committee; Mr. Thomas Chapman, Mr. M. J. Hughes, J.P.; Mr. M. Burke, Urban Councillor. They waited on the District Council to secure the support of the rural area of the union for the proposed Monster Fair to send comforts and necessaries to the soldiers of the two local regiments, the Leinsters and the Connaughts.

The deputation was accompanied by the Very Rev. Canon Langan, P.P.

Mr. J. Burgess, J.P., said that in order to give the project all the possible support, a successful public meeting was held in Athlone, when a committee was formed. It had the most influential support of the clergy and other classes in the town area, but they felt that the assistance of the Rural Councillors in the country districts as organisers and canvassers in their own districts to visit and canvass every farmer was necessary to make it a success.

Very Rev. Canon Langan supported the views of the deputation, reminding the Council that the comforts were for the soldiers on active service—the Leinster Regiment and the Connaught Rangers. The soldiers had risked their lives to fight for the cause of the Allies, and their action has met with the general approval of this country. (Hear, hear.)

The Chairman said he could assure the deputation the full support of the District Councillors to their request. Any thing it was possible for them to do they would do it.

The Committee having considered the scheme in detail, it was decided to hold a series of organising meetings at Rosemount, Castledaly, Glasson, and Moate.

FURTHER ACTION IN MULLINGAR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MULLINGAR, SATURDAY.

At a largely-attended meeting in the County Buildings in furtherance of the movement in Mullingar for funds for comforts for the Leinster Regiment on active service, and for prisoners of war, Mr. J. J. Macken, solicitor, presided.

It was decided to advertise asking relatives of the men serving in the Army and Navy from the district, who are reported as either killed, missing, or prisoners of war, to send full names of such men to the Secretary, Mr. Bennett, T.C., with a view to certificates being issued in each case.

Rev. B. O'Farrell, C.C., Chaplain to the Forces at Mullingar, read a letter from Major Palmer, 2nd Battalion Leinsters, at present in France, enumerating the most acceptable articles for use of the men, including mufflers, stockings, and towels. The writer pointed out that Mrs. Buller Smyth, London, Secretary of the General Fund, could procure these articles.

Mr. Downes said the money should be spent locally, and firms in this country manufacturing stockings and other knitted goods should be asked for quotations, and this was agreed to, and Mr. Downes having supplemented a suggestion of Father O'Farrell that a supply of cigarettes be sent out at once, by a proposal that Irish manufactured cigarettes get a preference, it was decided to get samples of the latter, and include them if approved, with 2,000 packets to be sent to the Leinsters serving in France, and 2,000 packets to the Battalions serving in Greece.

Mr. D. Flood, J.P., said he had been informed by one of the Leinsters home from the trenches that most appreciated of all by the men was a heating apparatus for boiling water and preparing cocoa or tea. He had seen a sample heater that cost about 3s., and he suggested a number of these articles be procured and sent out to the men.

This suggestion was adopted.

RECRUITING MEETINGS IN COUNTY DUBLIN.

Two recruiting meetings were held yesterday, at Chapelizod and Palmerstown, which were well attended. Mr. S. W. Maddock, J.P., who presided at both meetings, said a great responsibility lay upon the Irish people to see that the fifty-three battalions of Irish regiments were kept up to full strength until the war was over. Eleven hundred recruits were required weekly, and Mr. Birrell's figures proved conclusively there was a huge reservoir of men untapped.

Lieutenant Stephen Feary, R.E., delivered an inspiriting address dealing with the gallantry of the Irish regiments at the Dardanelles.

Mr. John Moran said he was convinced that the voluntary system in Ireland would supply the needs of the Irish regiments. The system was now on its trial, and if any alteration had to be made the fault would lie with the men of recruiting age for not coming forward. Ireland needed the service to-day of every able-bodied man, and the time had passed for political catchwords and cries—deeds, not words, were required.

Private Leonard, 10th Battalion R.D. Fusiliers, said his battalion was fast filling up, but there were still vacancies for men who wished to show their patriotism. Silver bullets, money, munitions were all forthcoming, but the men were wanted, too, and badly wanted, to ensure complete victory.

Private Byrne, 10th Battalion R.D. Fusiliers, addressed each man of recruiting age in the crowd with the query: "Why are you not in khaki?" A number of the crowd said "they were waiting to be fetched," which provided Private Byrne with material for the exhortation "that they should come as volunteers, and not as conscripts."

Lieutenant Peter O'Brien, of the Buffs, who was wounded at the Dardanelles, in a forcible speech, concluded the meeting.

The band of the Royal Irish Regiment was in attendance.

RECRUITING CONFERENCE IN KILKENNY.

MR. BIRRELL'S FIGURES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

KILKENNY, SUNDAY.

On Saturday a recruiting conference, convened by Captain J. E. B. Loftus, J.P., Sub-Director of Recruiting for the seventh area, was held in the Council Chamber, Courthouse, Kilkenny. The following were present:—

Alderman M. L. Potter, J.P.; Alderman Thomas Cantwell, J.P.; Captain J. E. B. Loftus, J.P.; Captain J. P. T. Mackesy (Recruiting Officer of County Kilkenny); Dr. Denis Walsh, J.P., Graiguenamanagh; Messrs. Thomas F. Murphy, J.P., M.C.C.; Richard White, J.P., Gouran House; Richard Seale, J.P., Johnstown; Richard Ringwood, J.P., Birke; Thomas Harrington, J.P., M.C.C., Urlingford; Michael Buggy, solicitor; Jas. Harte, solicitor; John Lanigan, solicitor; Jas. McCreery, Sub-Sheriff; Wm. O'Connell, J.P., Bayswell; A. G. L. Dupuis, J.P.; R. Ruskill, J.P., Castlecomer; G. F. Sparrow, Hon. Organiser; and C. J. Kenealy, Organiser and Secretary.

Mr. Thomas F. Murphy, who presided, said it was only in the unavoidable absence of Mr. John Butler, J.P., Chairman, County Council, that he took the chair. The Marquis of Ormonde had consented to act as President, and Mr. John Butler as permanent Chairman of the Committee.

Captain Loftus said that it was the object of the Department of Recruiting in Ireland to form a certain number of Committees throughout the various counties and districts in order to get into touch with local feeling and local sentiment. Kilkenny was really the last part of the area to form a committee, and he hoped that those present would resolve themselves into a Kilkenny Recruiting Committee under the Department. At the outbreak of war a great number of men had come forward in this county and city, and joined the Army; most of those were reservists and special reservists, and a certain number came forward and enlisted voluntarily, but since the Department was formed the number of recruits from this county has not been up to anything like expectations. Proceeding, Captain Loftus said the number of recruits received during the past twelve months in Kilkenny city and county would be considered very large in times of peace, but now we are at war, and when they considered that every man who was available was taken in England, Scotland, Wales, France, Russia, Germany, and Belgium, and in every country in Europe, the number taken from the County Kilkenny during the past year was not very great. The men who had come forward were of a certain class, the labouring classes, and they had done their duty, he was bound to say, in a most magnificent fashion. There were a good many young men still in the county who ought to come forward, and if they did not they would be doing an injury to themselves and their descendants, which would reflect on the prosperity, the credit, and honour of Ireland for untold generations. From the figures given by Mr. Birrell last week in Parliament they would see that in Leinster 27,000 men had enlisted out of a population of 174,000 men. In Ulster, with a population of 164,000, they had got 46,000; in other words, more than for all the other provinces together. He thought those figures were open to doubt, because if they looked at the last census returns they would see that the population of Ulster was 400,000 more than that of Leinster, and he did not see how the male population of Ulster could be less than the male population of Leinster. He thought a mistake had been made, but at the same time there were apparently to be got in Ireland many thousands of young men. These young men were not all going to be asked, but if they got ten per cent of them they would be able to continue to do what they required to do, and that was to keep their Irish regiments filled by Irishmen. The Department of Recruiting purposed forming two battalions—one a Commercial Battalion, which was the 10th Battalion of the Dublin Fusiliers, and which was being filled by young men engaged in commercial pursuits, and the other a Farmers' Battalion, which, if formed, he ventured to say, would be second to none in Ireland, as they would have men of physique—the men they wanted to get at, and who had hardly yet been touched at all. If they filled those battalions the various recruiting committees would have justified their existence, and performed an act of patriotism.

On the proposition of Mr. Harrington, seconded by Mr. O'Connell, Mr. C. J. Kenealy was appointed organiser and secretary to the Committee.

The Marquis of Ormonde was appointed President, and Mr. John Butler, J.P., Chairman of the Committee.

The meeting adjourned.

FIVE BROTHERS AT THE FRONT.

Major Shepard, of the Office of Arms, Dublin Castle, now serving with the Lancashire Fusiliers, has had the honour to receive a message from the King, congratulating him, through Sir Frederick Ponsonby, on his and his five sons' record of service. All five young officers are at the front, and their sister is a Red Cross nurse.

DUBLIN CASTLE RED CROSS HOSPITAL.

A successful whist drive was held in the Café Cairo on Friday evening, under the auspices of the Kenilworth Bowling Club, Rathmines, in aid of the "Kenilworth" bed in Dublin Castle Red Cross Hospital. Players sat down at no less than sixty-six tables. Prizes were presented by the following:—Mrs. O'Brennan, Mrs. Fred. Jones, Mrs. Cooper, and Messrs. W. H. Fletcher, H. A. O'Brennan, T. W. Sixsmith, D. W. Carpmills, and G. W. Cooper. The evening was very agreeably spent, excellent arrangements having been made by the following Committee:—Messrs. Cooper, Carpmills, Mooney, Weir, and F. E. Jones, hon. secretary. It is expected that about £20 will be realised by the drive.

"HOW DUBLIN DOES IT."

Owing to stage difficulties, Mr. Percy French has been obliged to transfer his satirical review, "How Dublin Does It," to the Little Theatre, 40 Upper Sackville street. The whole house, being small, will be reserved at 2s. 6d. The show will start at 8.30 on Wednesday, and there will be matinées on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Booking at Messrs. Pigott's.

BOY CLERKSHIPS.

A New Term in preparation for the next examination will commence at our Dublin College on to-day (Monday). At the Sept., 1915, exam. (latest published Result) 9 of the 13 Successes advertised from Dublin Classes were Students of Skerry's College, 75 Stephen's Green, Dublin.—(Advt.)

ROYAL DUBLIN FUSILIERS.

SUCCESSFUL FETE AT THE ROTUNDA.

DUBLIN'S INTEREST IN FAMOUS REGIMENT.

There was a large attendance in the Pillar Room of the Rotunda, Dublin, on Saturday when the *Fête* in aid of the Comforts Fund of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers was opened for the second and concluding day. The opening function took place at 2.45 p.m., when Mr. Herbert Dudgeon briefly introduced Lady Arnott, who had consented to open the *Fête*, as a lady who was well known all over Ireland for the great personal interest she had taken in the welfare of the soldiers who were fighting so gallantly at the front, as well as the prisoners of war in Germany.

Lady Arnott, who was received with applause, said—Ladies and gentlemen, I feel it is an honour to have been asked to come here to-day to open this Royal Dublin Fusiliers *Fête*. It has been said that the record of the Dublin Fusiliers is the common glory of Irishmen of all creeds, parties, and stations in life, but we have as well a special interest in this great historic Irish Regiment, named as it is after this city, and having for its recruiting area the City and County of Dublin and the adjoining Counties of Wicklow, Carlow, and Kildare. This war has shown the civilian population that the territorial system is an ideal one for them, for it enables the people of a regimental area to combine together to work for the brave men, who have gone from their midst to the battalions of their own local regiment, to play their part on the great battlefields where the fate of our Empire, our race, and ourselves is being determined. Work began for the regiment directly war broke out, but with a growing number of battalions being sent out to the Expeditionary Forces, and with over 500 Dublin Fusiliers helpless captives in Germany and in sore need of food and clothing it became advisable to link up all activities, and to co-ordinate certain committees, and to departmentalise their work into collecting centres. A Central Advisory Committee was formed, composed of representatives from these committees, and a representative from each county in the regimental area, under the chairmanship of the Colonel in command of the regimental home depôt, who is in direct communication with the officers commanding the battalions at the front. In this way accurate information is received as to the needs and requirements of the men, and regular supplies can be sent to them. Great bales are now being sent off every week of woven and knitted comforts from, and through, the Women's Branch, Royal Dublin Fusiliers, 102 Grafton street, and consignments of tobacco and cigarettes, and cases of consumable comforts, such as candles, soap, safety matches, with razors and other articles from, and through, the Royal Dublin Fusiliers' Bureau, at 45 Kildare street. Perhaps we in ease and security at home can hardly realise what these comforts mean to men fighting in mud-sodden trenches in France and Flanders, and in the bitterly cold entrenchments of Salonika. As regards the prisoners of war, two committees are responsible for the sending of food and bread to the 514 Dublin Fusiliers interned in Germany, and are entrusted to see that each man is sent his own individual parcel. We know that Dublin Fusiliers could only have been taken prisoners through wounds or misadventures in moments of desperate fighting, and the utmost that we can do for them in their present terrible position is to send them supplies of food and clothing. All this means an enormous expenditure—the administration expenses are practically *nil*—all workers are voluntary helpers, and Irish firms are giving generous terms on all purchases; but funds still remain a constant need and anxiety. This attractive *Fête* in aid of the Women's Branch for the Royal Dublin Fusiliers and the Prisoners of War has entailed a great deal of work for Mrs. Albany Fetherstonhaugh, and Lady Moore, and the hon. organisers; but it has, I know, been a labour of love to them, and they confidently count on the warm support of the Dublin citizens for the sake of those heroic men who are facing hardships, pain, and death in defence of their country, and in defence of all that is dear to us. I have much pleasure in declaring the *Fête* open, and wish it heartily every success. (Applause.)

On the motion of Mrs. Albany Fetherstonhaugh, seconded by Lady Moore (Glasnevin), a cordial vote of thanks was passed to Lady Arnott for opening the *Fête*, and for the interest which she has taken in the various Committees for the supply of comforts to the men of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers.

Before leaving the platform Lady Arnott was presented with a programme of the *Fête*, the cover of which was beautifully hand-painted by Miss Bunny Stritch and Master Albany Fetherstonhaugh.

During the afternoon and evening there were a series of half-hour concerts, tableaux, sketches, and other amusements, all of which were well patronised. In the afternoon the orchestra at the amusements was under the leadership of Miss Nora Bridge, R.I.A.M., and in the evening session the orchestra was under the direction of Mr. G. L. Pollock, Mr. J. J. Poland, acting as leader.

Judging by the returns available, the *Fête* was financially successful, but still more funds are urgently required to provide the requisite "comforts" for the fighting battalions of Dublin's famous regiment, as well as food for the 500 Dublin Fusiliers who are prisoners of war in Germany.

Much praise is due to the members of the St. John Ambulance Corps, who discharged the responsible duties of stewards with tact and judgment, and thus contributed to the success of the *Fête*.

Thanks are due to the following artists, who so kindly contributed to Miss Maxwell's half-hour concerts:—To Mr. Percy French, for his most entertaining songs and banjo-playing; to Mrs. Thompson, for her delightful rendering of Miss Costelloe's most amusing monologue; to Mrs. De Courcy Millar, Miss O'Connor, Miss Armstrong, Miss Fogarty, Mr. Greer, and Sergeant Clee (6th Cavalry Reserve), for their singing; to Miss Claire Russell, for her clever recitations; to Miss De Groot, for her dancing; and to the pipers of the O.T.C. for their finished playing and dancing of the eightsome reel. The pipers added greatly to the gaiety and attraction of the *Fête*. A special word of praise is due to the capable stage management, which was of so much assistance to Miss Maxwell in the arrangement of her concerts.

ROYAL DUBLIN FUSILIERS.

10th ("PALS'") BATTALION.

The Committee met in the Club Rooms, 85-86 Grafton street, Dublin, on the evening of the 14th inst. Mr. Andrew Jameson, D.L., J.P., presided. There were also present—Sir William Fry, D.L.; Alderman James Moran, J.P., and Edward Lee, J.P., Hon. Treasurers; Sir John Irwin, J.P., Hon. Secretary; Captain Weatherill, Major Arthur Whewell, F. R. Ridgeway, William Sibley, William Findlater, M.A. Lieutenant-Colonel Grattan Esmonde was also present. An apology for absence was received from Mr. Charles E. Sutton.

A request was received from the members of the "B" Company of the battalion to be allowed to hold a concert in the Club Rooms on a date to be arranged, which was approved by the Committee, and the Hon. Secretary was authorised to make the necessary arrangements in connection with same.

The honorary officers' report in connection with the New Year's dinner, which was held in the Mansion House on the 5th inst., was approved, and a hearty vote of thanks to the Lord Mayor for his kindness in granting the use of the Mansion House free of expense was, upon the motion of Sir William Fry, D.L., seconded by Major Arthur Whewell, passed unanimously.

The Hon. Secretary reported that the members' sub-committee had arranged for the holding of a billiard tournament, and the Committee granted a sum to provide prizes for same, as suggested by the Hon. Secretary.

The Department for Recruiting in Ireland forwarded a supply of illustrated booklets, which they have just issued, in connection with the 10th Battalion, and it was arranged that these should be suitably distributed.

A number of voucher application forms was received from the members of the battalion, and it was ordered that these be forwarded to the Sub-Director of Recruiting (Alderman Moran), in order that "Certificates of Honour" may be duly presented to the relatives of the members of the battalion.

The Hon. Treasurers submitted a financial statement, which was approved.

It was arranged that the next meeting of the Committee should be held on the 28th inst. at 5 p.m.

SOLDIERS' CENTRAL CLUB.

We publish elsewhere in our issue of to-day the first list of subscriptions to the Soldiers' Central Club. Further subscriptions are invited for this deserving object, which we feel sure will commend itself to the citizens.

BARALONG CASE.

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5.)

reply shows that the present war is a fight for moral ideals, and that barbarians have to defend the higher ethics.

The *Lokalanzeiger* violently attacks the British Government, saying that only the guilty conscience of a British politician could produce such a Note.

AMSTERDAM, SUNDAY.

According to a Berlin telegram, the Reichstag yesterday discussed the Baralong case. The Reporter of the Committee to whom the case was referred, Count Westrapt, spoke of the occurrence as a "cowardly murder," and said that German naval heroes fell victims in the honourable exercise of their profession. He described England's reply as a document of shame, and added that the best reply to England would be resolute deeds.

Herr Noske, a Socialist Deputy, also spoke in the same violent strain. He said:—"We know that our Army and Fleet will not allow themselves to be surpassed in humanity, morality, and civilisation by enemy soldiers or sailors."

Herr Zimmermann, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, noted with pleasure the unanimity of the Reichstag in condemning the Baralong affair, and added:—"I can assure the House that the Government will find the right means and way to punish a revolting deed sharply and impressively." (Loud cheers.)

Herr Liebnecht regretted that it had been made impossible for him to protest against the exploitation of the occurrence.

The report of the Committee was adopted, and the House adjourned until Monday.

ROLL OF HONOUR.

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5.)

SUNDAY NIGHT'S LISTS.

JANUARY 7th, 1916.

The following casualties amongst non-commissioned officers and men of the Expeditionary Force are reported from the Base under date 7th January, 1916:—

KILLED.

IRISH GUARDS, 1st BATTALION.

Holmes, 5816, L.-Cpl. W. J.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW REPORTED KILLED.

IRISH GUARDS, 2nd BATTALION.

Quinn, 6552, Pte. P.

DIED OF WOUNDS.

IRISH GUARDS, 1st BATTALION.

Bresnahan, 5963, Pte. T.

WOUNDED.

IRISH GUARDS, 1st BATTALION.

Maguire, 6140, L.-Sergt. J. S.; Quinn, 6252, Pte. P. J.

VARIOUS DATES.

The following casualty in the Expeditionary Force not previously published is reported:—

DIED.

ROYAL IRISH RIFLES, 2nd BATTALION.

Saulters, 5779, Pte. S.

DIED AS PRISONER OF WAR.

ROYAL IRISH REGIMENT, 2nd BATTALION.

Ward, 4517, Pte. T.

RANK AND FILE.

The week-end lists give the following results:—Dead, 487; wounded and missing, 863; total, 1,350.

JANUARY 6th, 7th, AND VARIOUS DATES.

	D.	W.	M.	Total.
France	288	409	50	747
Mediterranean	133	131	10	274
Balkans	25	100	122	247
Persian Gulf	29	37	2	68
Egypt and Overseas	6	2	—	8

German list of prisoners of war—Died of wounds, 2; died, 4; wounded, 2; prisoners, 15; total, 23.

The Balkans rank and file list includes—The 10th Hampshires—Killed, 23; wounded, 96; missing, 112.

SECOND LIEUTENANT F. LYTTELTON LLOYD ROGERS.

Second Lieutenant Francis Lyttelton Lloyd Rogers, R.F.A., aged 20, who was killed in action in France, was the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyttelton Rogers, 11 Merrion square, Dublin. Before the outbreak of war he was going through the Engineering School, Trinity College, and was a member of the O.T.C. He volunteered for active service the day after war was declared, left for France in August, and had been in many engagements. His captain writes:—"It may be some slight consolation to you to know that he was killed instantaneously, and suffered no pain. All the time that he and I have been together he has done his work most awfully well, and I have lost an officer in whom I could put complete trust to do whatever he was required to. We are burying him to-morrow in the British cemetery." Another officer writes:—"You will have heard before this of the very sad news of your son's death at his post, doing his duty, and seeing that his men were under cover. I feel as if I had lost a friend myself, and can genuinely offer my deep sympathy with you in this time of loss and grief. Many of his brother officers came to the funeral, and the General, too, came, and it was easy to see how really they all felt their loss and yours." Lieutenant Rogers's brother, Mr. R. H. L. Rogers, is also in the Field Artillery, having entered Woolwich before war was declared. He is at present on active service in France.

GRANTS FOR IRISH EDUCATION.

At a meeting of the Academic Council of University College, Galway, the following resolution was passed:—

"That the Academic Council of University College, Galway, strongly protests against the action of the Treasury in stopping some of the already too meagre grants for Irish education. Copies of this resolution to be sent to the First Lord of the Treasury, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Chief Secretary for Ireland, the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, and the Press."

A resolution has been passed by the County Galway (Joint) Technical Instruction Committee also protesting against the stoppage of the grants.

At a special meeting of the College Council of the Belfast College of Irish at the Halls on Thursday, to consider the circular received from the Technical Department notifying the withdrawal of grants for teachers' classes, the President of the Council, the Rev. J. K. O'Neill, P.P., presided.

Mr. Phillip Ward, J.P., Commissioner of National Education, proposed resolutions expressing surprise and concern that it is the intention of the Department of Technical Instruction to withdraw the grant for the teaching of the Irish language and literature in the Gaelic colleges; that, if retrenchment is found necessary, it should certainly not be resorted to at the expense of the educational interests of the country.

The Rev. Professor MacLeanachan, St. Malachy's College, seconded the resolutions, which were supported by Mrs. Byrne, representative of lady principal teachers of Belfast; Miss McNeill, and Miss Doyle, and passed unanimously.

"CARMEL" BAZAAR.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the proposed bazaar in aid of the Carmelite Priory, Whitefriars street, was held on Friday evening. There were present:—E. Bermingham, Very Rev. J. J. Cogan, O.C.C., Provincial; M. Cole, T.C.; T. J. Cullen, Dr. W. F. Delany, J. Devlin, T.C.; W. Early, B. P. Fagan, J. J. Healy, Rev. T. P. Kelly, O.C.C.; Very Rev. J. L. McCabe, O.C.C., Prior; J. H. McLoughlin, solicitor, chairman; Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, Dr. J. N. Meenan, G. A. Moonan, Dr. C. M. O'Brien, J. O'Brien, T.C.; Rev. J. P. O'Reilly, O.C.C.; T. F. Read, T. W. Ronayne, J. Rooney, P. J. Sage, J. J. Sheil, solicitor; A. P. Spain. It was decided that the name of the bazaar should be "Carmel"; that Mr. James H. McLoughlin, solicitor, should be elected chairman of the Executive Committee; that the Rev. J. P. O'Reilly and Mr. James Devlin, T.C., be elected honorary treasurers. It was decided to hold a meeting of the ladies interested in the bazaar at an early date. Other important business having been transacted, the Committee adjourned until next Friday evening.

WAR NOTICES AND APPEALS.

MEDICINE BOTTLES.

In order to raise funds for the "Irish War Hospital Supply Depôt," a scheme for collecting empty medicine bottles has been originated, and it is hoped that anyone who can help by giving the above will kindly send a postcard to:—Mrs. Charles G. Joze, 40 Merrion square. On receipt of card arrangements will be made to have the bottles called for. Further particulars will be duly announced.

FEMALE TYPISTS (G.P.O. AND INLAND REVENUE).

Result of last examination, Oct., 1915—Miss M. Luke successful; prepared by Rosse College, Stephen's Green, Dublin.—(Advt.)

IRELAND AND COMPULSION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I was glad to see in your issue of the 13th inst. a letter from "An Old Nationalist" calling attention to a point in the present crisis which seems to have escaped the notice it demands.

As a country, we have only one mouthpiece—our representatives in Parliament. These will be assumed to have voiced the country's sentiments when the history of the present struggle comes to be written. We shall figure as the only pro-"slacker" nation in Europe. It would not affect the question if 99 *per cent.* of the men of military age in Ireland were to come forward under the voluntary system. The fact will remain in the annals of history that Ireland cast her vote in favour of shielding the "slacker," to the sacrifice of the brave man. How any man with a tenth of the love for Ireland which our representatives in Parliament profess could so decide is, to my mind, inconceivable. It was Ireland's greatest chance to prove herself worthy to take her place among the nations, and, alas! she has thrown it away.—Yours, etc.,

"A DISAPPOINTED IRISHMAN."

Co. Clare, January 15th, 1916.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Rome in her declining days relied on the military service of foreign people, whom she hired to fight her campaigns. Her "Silver Spear," the proud Roman boastfully called them. She found to her cost that in the last emergency the "silver spear" bent in her hands, and Rome—like Assyria, Greece, Carthage—passed away. At the commencement of this war, and later even, when we ought to have known better, we, too, through our statesmen, boasted of our silver. The "Silver Bullet," we were told, would win in the end. But the silver bullet is as powerless as the silver spear, and will prove a vain thing in which to trust for safety.

Rightly understood, this boasting of our financial resources, and our failure to back these up by the personal sacrifice of blood, is really placing the Allies of Britain morally in the position of mercenaries. There are signs that this is how it is beginning to strike the imagination of the Allies. Has it not been more than hinted, aye, even stated, that France and Russia have taken this stand, and that it is under pressure from these two Powers at last that conscription has been introduced in England, Scotland, and Wales? And why is Ireland left out? "Fear the Greeks even bearing gifts" used to be the motto of the Irish Party with regard to England. If I were concerned for Home Rule, I would fear this gift of exemption. No matter how well Ireland has done in the matter of recruiting—and beyond question she has done well, and has nobly upheld her military traditions—she ought not to allow herself to be shut out from this great effort of moral support which the Allies have asked from England. Peoples, like individuals, can in the last resort only be judged by their purposeful actions. Ireland ought to see this question from the Allies' point of view. Whether the number of available men is as Mr. Birrell figures out or as more reliable and exact authorities assert, it is the moral effect of remaining out that matters for Ireland, as a nation and an Ally.

Mr. T. W. Russell, shortly before he joined the Liberal Party, published a book, "Ireland and the Empire." Speaking of the possibility of a great Continental war, in which England would, he asserted, sooner or later be engaged, he said:—"And when such a war is waged it will be a life and death struggle—a struggle for national existence." He predicted, almost, that the war must come within twenty-five years from the time he wrote, and he said: "Ireland would be in such a war"—as, he said, she was at the time he wrote, that is, during the Boer War—"the main danger," the "weak point of the Empire." And he thus sums up:—"For England to be controlled, or even hampered, by an Irish Parliament in the midst of such a war is simply unthinkable. . . . . I cannot see, therefore, how from this point of view an Irish Parliament is possible—how England can ever assent to it." The war has come within half the space of time which Mr. Russell fixed as the utmost limit. England is engaged in a life and death struggle.

Mr. Russell was a member of the English Government when the war broke out. He is a member of it still. Is it because he and his colleagues think that an Irish Parliament would be a menace to the British Empire that they have deprived Ireland of her heritage and rightful place in this struggle? The Home Rule Bill is still inchoate—in embryo, so to speak. Is this an attempt to smother it at birth because Ireland cannot be hustled? No Irishman, be he Unionist or Home Ruler, could think this without anger and shame. No Unionist but would accept the utmost measure of Home Rule rather than suffer this shame!—Yours, etc.,

JOHN WALKER.

Dublin, January 15th, 1916.

IRELAND A NATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—In your issue of the 14th inst. Mr. Dudley Fletcher concludes a letter, under the above heading, by saying: "Let Sir Edward Carson and Mr. Redmond give us a lead in true patriotism, and the whole nation will follow." Does Mr. Fletcher contend that either, or both, of these gentlemen have refrained from giving such a lead? If so, and supposing he should persuade them to comply with his ideas of patriotic leadership, will he include in his phrase, "the whole nation will follow," the Sinn Fein Volunteers who are so rapidly growing in number?

Should he so include them, he will demonstrate his inability to deal with the question, for neither love of Mr. Redmond nor respect for Sir Edward Carson will be found among Sinn Fein adherents. If, on the other hand, he omits them, he will completely nullify his own statement.—Yours, etc.,

DUDLEY E. B. MCCORKELL.

Ballynagard, Londonderry, January 15th, 1916.

ECCLESIASTICAL BUILDINGS AND SECULAR AFFAIRS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Some time ago Mr. Swift MacNeill, M.P., had a most interesting letter in your paper on the above subject, and in this letter he made the following statement:—"The Volunteer Convention of February, 1782, in Dungannon, which laid the foundation of Irish Parliamentary independence, was held in the parish church of that town—an historic building, which has now been replaced by a more imposing, but less interesting, structure."

When I saw this statement I believed Mr. MacNeill was wrong as to the building in which the "historic Convention" was held, inasmuch as I was certain that I had seen wood-cuts in various magazines of the building referred to, and stating it was not the parish church of Dungannon, but the First Dungannon Presbyterian Church. I had, however, no means of verifying the correctness of my belief, so I drew the attention to it of one who is regarded in the North as an authority on such matters—namely, the Rev. W. T. Latimer, M.A., D.D., senior minister of Eglish, Dungannon, and author of a well-known "History of the Irish Presbyterian Church."

Dr. Latimer says that he believes I am right regarding the meeting place of the Volunteers, and that no less than "three meetings were held in First Dungannon Presbyterian Church—the walls of which remain, but a new stone-finished addition has added to the thickness of the walls outside, and transepts were built. Here," continues Dr. Latimer, "the Volunteers met in 1782 and 1783, and the county delegates in 1793. The *News-Letter* in 1783 gives this building as the place of meeting that year, and the *Northern Star* of 1793 does the same with regard to the third meeting, while, with regard to 1782, the *Anthologia Hibernica* (a Dublin periodical) in 1793 published a wood-cut of the Presbyterian church as the building in which all these three meetings were held. Besides, an old man named Ben Brown, who had been present, and was alive after Dr. Morell's ordination, told him (Dr. Morell) the same thing, and this the doctor told me (Dr. Latimer)."

The Rev. Dr. Morell was for many years minister of Dungannon. It would, therefore, seem certain that Mr. MacNeill was wrong as regards the exact building in which the famous Convention was held; but I am sure that he will be interested to find that three meetings were held there, and that the walls still remain.—Yours, etc.,

J. J. K. JOHNSTON.

Cranryvale, Fintona, January 15th, 1916.

A DUBLIN D.C.M.

Company Sergeant-Major J. Driscoll, 1st Battalion Royal Irish Rifles, who has just been awarded the Distinguished Conduct Medal, is a Dublin man. In addition to the present war, he went through the South African War with the mounted infantry company of the 2nd Battalion Royal Irish Rifles, for which he holds the Queen's and King's medals.

Fashionable Intelligence.

The Duchess of Somerset has returned to London from Maiden Bradley, Batley.

The Marquis of Ailsa has arrived in London from Culzean Castle.

The Marquis of Sligo has left Kingstown for England.

Viscount Downe has arrived in London from Dingley Hall.

The Countess of Rosse has left Kingstown for England.

Lord D'Abernon has left London for Scotland.

Lord Louth has arrived at Kingstown from England.

Lady Dunsany has left Kingstown for England.

Switzer's Annual Sale this day.

Special Sale of Blouses at Holmes', George's street.

20 dozen Blouses, Ninon veiled over shadow lace, pretty vest effect, pleated collar, new sleeve, clearing at 4s. 11d., in all the leading shades.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd.

Heavy Weight Tailored Crepe-de-Chene Blouses, Raglan sleeve, collar may be worn open or closed, costume shades, 6s. 11d., at Holmes', George's street.

At Holmes' Sale—Shetland Wool Breakfast Coats in White, Rose, Sax, Tan, Sand and Sax. Sale Price, 3s. 6½d., 4s. 9½d.—69, 70, 71 George's street.

You'll want more silver bullets than ever during 1916—that's why you should retrench, and take the proffered assistance of the Dartry Dye Works, Dartry road, Dublin.

Arrivals at Kingstown per Royal Mail Steamers, January 15 and 16:—Commander Philpott, Captain R. Wade Thompson, Captain Southby, Major and Mrs. Kinsman, Thomas Lundon, M.P.; Major Cuffe, D.S.O.; Lieutenant T. McCheane, Lieutenant T. Beatty, Lieutenant-Colonel Concanon, D.S.O.; Lieutenant Gwynne, R.N.R.; Lieutenant Forbes Small, Lieutenant L. C. Sweeny, Captain W. B. Cathcart, Lieutenant W. J. Dowling, Captain W. A. Adams, 9th Canadians; Lord Louth, Major and Mrs. Underwood, Lieutenant Herbert Goring, Colonel G. Ormsby, D.S.O.; Colonel Abbot, Lieutenant Black, R.N.R.; Second Lieutenant H. A. Stokes, Mrs. S. H. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. O'Connor, Mrs. George Masser, E. J. A. Burke, J. O. Halliday, G. F. Paterson, J. R. R. Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bookey, Mrs. J. Bewley, Miss Violet Beatty, J. B. Concanon, Miss Concanon, Sydney Macer, F. W. Crossley, Mrs. R. R. Brassill, Mrs. Owen A. Armstrong, J. S. Lewis, W. P. Toone, John Clancy, Miss Clancy, A. Warren Seales, W. J. Dollar, J.P.; Geo. P. Settle, F. McLaughlin, Mrs. S. J. D'Arcy, T. Callan Macardle, Miss Joan Armstrong.

Departures from Kingstown per Royal Mail Steamers, January 14 and 15:—Lady Dunsany, Countess of Rosse, Colonel de Burgh, C.B.; Captain Knox, Major C. Saunders, Colonel J. Leslie, Captain Daly, Captain and Mrs. Gibson, Dr. and Mrs. Crawford, Dr. Hastings and Miss Hastings, Countess Maffei, Marquis of Sligo, Hon. Mrs. O'Brien, Captain and Mrs. Partridge, Captain Bury, Second Lieutenant R. M. Dixon, Lieutenant Frank Keane, R.A.M.C.; Lieutenant F. J. Egan, R.N.R.; Miss Ormsby Lloyd, C. S. T. Morrison, Miss May Daly, Miss Orchill, R. Cheneviz, Mr. and Mrs. Conan, Mrs. Godfrey Masser, Mrs. Fetherstonhaugh, F. C. Pilkington, Miss Gladys Atkinson, A. E. Robinson, Miss Ora Marsh, H. FitzGerald Campbell, G. E. G. Forrest, Miss Kelly, J. W. Milne, Miss Daly, Miss Hazel Daly, G. R. Todd, Miss Mitch, Mrs. Lauder, Miss McCarthy, Miss Lauder, D. C. Cottrell, C. R. Lauder, Charles H. O'Connor, Miss J. W. Flanagan, Miss Gwendolen Graham, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Leech, Cadet J. Kenny, Miss Lilian Dennis, R. W. K. Wilson, W. G. Marshall, T. Cosgrill, V. J. O'Hare, R.N.R.

Departures from Rosslare per Great Western Railway Company's Express Steamers:—M. Williams, D. Ryan, R.N.; M. J. Gilbert, R.N.; Second Lieutenant L. G. Abbot Anderson, Lieutenant R. G. H. Inst, R.N.; R. Thorpe, Mrs. Starkie, Mrs. Dorkings, F. A. Murphy, J. E. Murphy, L.R.C.P., and S. G. C. Edwards, R. McClelland, I. Roche, E. A. Gregory, Geo. Watters, Miss E. Gilbert Lythe.

Sale of High-Class Furs and Costumes at moderate prices. All orders reduced during Sale.—Coyle, Grafton street.

Slyne and Co., during the next two weeks, are making their 5½ guinea Suits for 5 guineas.—71 Grafton street.

Sale—Big Reductions in Fur and Fur-lined Coats, Tailor Gowns, Furs, to clear.—Schreier, 136 Stephen's Green.

Furs, Furs—Expiration of Lease. Retiring Sale. Entire Stock of High-Class Furs, etc., selling off, regardless of cost, at Wheatley's, 19 Nassau street.

Mrs. Bothwell's Sale. Genuine Reductions in Exclusive Hats and Blouses.—77 Grafton st.

Doyle's Stocktaking Sale of Footwear now on. Great Bargains.—38 Mary street, Dublin.

"SOFTENS AND WHITENS THE SKIN."—Lady Constance Howard writes:—"I like the 'ALBION MILK AND SULPHUR SOAP' very much; it is pleasant to use and whitens and softens the skin." Delicately perfumed. Sold by Chemists, Grocers, etc.

Interesting to Lady Motorists—Unique Sale Bargain this week—Fine Leather-lined Harris Tweed Coats, 3 gns.—Daltranne, D'Olier st., Dublin.

BALLYMONEY'S RECORD.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—As Secretary of the Ballymoney Red Cross Auction Sale, I wish to bring before you, for the benefit of your readers, the war spirit that has been shown in this town. I send you a *Coleraine Chronicle*, in which you will see that the town and district have subscribed a gross amount of £1,666 14s. 4d. Already they had subscribed to the Prince of Wales's Fund over £1,000. They have given £400 for the support of thirty Belgian refugees in the district. Four street flag collections realised over £160, while other miscellaneous collections for Red Cross, Belgian, Serbian, and other funds make up a grand total of £3,500 given to war charities.

In addition, it is well to point out that, up to the first of January last, 280 men, out of the urban district only, are serving with the Colours. As our population is under 3,000 in a purely agricultural district, with no factories of any kind, a proportion of one in ten is much above the average.—Yours, etc.,

JAMES HANNA.

Linenhall street, Ballymoney, January 15th, 1916.

MUSIC AND THE WAR.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—If my information is accurate, the real objection to the use of the tune "Austria" lies far deeper than the trifling circumstance referred to by your correspondent, "I. C.," and in your leading article—that it is "German" music, and is sung to the Austrian National Anthem. I have been told by a friend who was educated in Germany that it is the tune to which is sung that devil's chant, "*Deutschland, Deutschland, ueber Alles.*" If this is so, the deeds to which it has been the accompaniment in Belgium—rape, murder, slaughter of innocents, and infamy of every kind—are so terrible and abominable that I, for one, would not willingly remain in church when it was being performed. Even a tune that is good in itself may become suggestive of such awful abominations that it ought to be allowed to fade from the memories of decent people.—Yours, etc.,

T. C. TOBIAS.

37 Dawson street, Dublin, January 15th, 1916.

THE HOGAN STATUE OF THOMAS DAVIS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Mr. Oliver Sheppard, in his recent lecture on "Sculpture" at the Municipal Art Gallery, referred to the Davis statue, and gave as a reason for its suggested removal from Mount Jerome that "it was not fitting that such a work of art should be retained in the open air, where it was liable to serious damage." In reply, the statue has been for the past four years safely housed in the Mortuary Chapel, so that visitors have easy access to what many consider to be Hogan's masterpiece.—Yours, etc.,

S. W. MADDOCK.

Mount Jerome House, Dublin, January 15th, 1916.

PRICE OF WHEAT.

At Newcastle Corn Market on Saturday wheat rose 1s. 6d. to 2s. At Northampton wheat rose 1s.

LADY CLERKSHIPS, BANK OF IRELAND.

At the last 4 exams. 19 Students were successful from Skerry's College, 75 Stephen's Green, Dublin, including 4 of the 6 appointments at the last exam.—(Advt.)

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THE AMERICAN MARKETS.

STOCKS CLOSED IRREGULAR.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, SATURDAY.

Stocks to-day have been active, but the movements more or less were confusing, the market closing irregular. Government Bonds steady. Railroad Bonds strong.

Gains—Chicago North-Western Preferred [illegible]; Illinois Central, ½; and Missouri Kansas Second Mortgage and Reading First Preferred, ½.

Losses—United States Steel Common, ½, and Denver Rio Grande Common and Chicago Rock Island 1¼.

Money nominal. Sterling exchange weak. Silver commercial bars ⅛ down.

The weekly return of the New York Clearing House shows the following aggregate changes compared with the previous return:—Loans, 16,870,000 dollars; increase reserve in Federal reserve banks, 1,430,000 dollars; increase reserve other depositories, 1,140,000 dollars; increase net demand deposits, 34,730,000 dollars; increase net time deposits, 320,000 dollars; increase circulation, 250,000 dollars; decrease excess reserve, 11,890,000 dollars.

CLOSING PRICES.

Eng. Parity.	Stocks.	Closing Bid Prices. Fri.	Closing Bid Prices. Sat.	Business Done.	
103½	U.S. 2% Funded	99	99	—	—
*12[illegible]	Atch., Top., Santa Fe	106⅞	106⅜	—	—
104½	Do. Preference	99⅝	99⅝	—	—
99[illegible]	Do. New 4% Gen. Mt.	94⅞	94[illegible]	—	—
112[illegible]	Do. 4% Con. Bds.	106⅝	106[illegible]	—	—
99⅝	Baltimore and Ohio	94⅞	94¾	—	—
83¾	Do. Preferred	79⅝	79⅝	—	—
188[illegible]	Canadian Pacific	179⅝	179⅝	—	—
105[illegible]	Chic., Mil., & St. Paul	101	101⅛	—	—
141⅝	Do. Preferred	134⅝	134⅝	—	—
181[illegible]	Chic. & N.-W. Pf.	172	173	—	—
18[illegible]	Chic., Rock I. & Pacific	19⅛	17⅞	—	—
12[illegible]	Denver & Rio Grande	13⅛	12	—	—
22[illegible]	Do. Preferred	20⅞	21	—	—
43[illegible]	Erie Railroad	41⅞	4[illegible]	—	—
59[illegible]	Do. 1st Preferred	57	57	—	—
80[illegible]	Do. Lien Bonds	76⅞	76⅞	—	—
112[illegible]	Illinois Central	106⅞	107	—	—
135[illegible]	Louisville & Nashville	129	129	—	—
6[illegible]	Miss'ri Kan. & Texas	6⅞	6[illegible]	—	—
52[illegible]	Do. 2nd Mt. 4% G. Bs.	49⅞	50	—	—
6[illegible]	Missouri Pacific	6⅝	6[illegible]	—	—
115[illegible]	N.Y. Cen. & Hudson R.	110[illegible]	110	—	—
128	Norfolk & Westn. Cm.	120	120	—	—
125	Do. 4% Con. Bds.	119⅞	119[illegible]	—	—
30[illegible]	Ontario & Western	29	29	—	—
61[illegible]	Pennsylvania Shares	58[illegible]	58	—	—
85[illegible]	Reading Shares	82[illegible]	81[illegible]	—	—
45[illegible]	Do. 1st Preferred	43	43	—	—
100	Do. 4% Mort.	95[illegible]	95[illegible]	—	—
24½	Southern Railway	23⅛	23	—	—
67[illegible]	Do. Preferred	64	64	—	—
107½	Southern Pacific	102⅞	102[illegible]	—	—
144½	Union Pacific	137[illegible]	137[illegible]	—	—
86[illegible]	Do. Preferred	82	82	—	—
17[illegible]	Wabash New	16⅞	16	—	—
50[illegible]	Do. Preferred A	48⅝	48[illegible]	—	—
90[illegible]	U.S. Steel Common	86⅝	86[illegible]	—	—
123½	Do. Preferred	117[illegible]	117[illegible]	—	—
—	Silver Commerc'l Bars	57	56[illegible]		

* asked. † ex div. [illegible]

The London parity prices are [illegible] current rate of exchange, but no [illegible] of the cost of insurance.

Call Money	1½ to 2	[illegible]
Ex. on London, 60 days' sight	4.71 50	[illegible]
Cable Transfers	4.77 10	[illegible]
Ex. on Paris, sight	5.84	[illegible]
Ex. on Berlin, sight	76⅛	[illegible]
Cotton, Middling, Upland	12.50	[illegible]
Petroleum, Refined, in cases	11.00	[illegible]
Petroleum, Standard, White	8.65	[illegible]
Petroleum, Pipe Line Certs.	2.25	[illegible]
Spirits of Turpentine	57	[illegible]
Lard, Prime Western Steam	10.77½	[illegible]
Tallow, Special	9⅛	[illegible]
Sugar Centrifugal (duty paid)	4.52	[illegible]
Corn, Western No. 2 Mixed	84⅞	[illegible]
Wheat, Spring, No. 1, Northern	143⅛	[illegible]
Do. No. 2 Hard Winter	140⅛	[illegible]
Coffee, Rio, No. 7	8	[illegible]
Flour, Spring Wheat, Clears New	5.20 5.1[illegible]	[illegible]
Iron, No. 2 Northern Foundry	19.75 20.25	[illegible]
Tin, Straits	41	[illegible]
Copper, Standard	[illegible]	[illegible]
Freight, Grain, steamers to Liverpool, per bushel	21[illegible]	[illegible]
Freight, Grain, steamers to London, per bushel	24[illegible]	[illegible]
Freight, Cotton, to Liverpool	80[illegible]	[illegible]

PHILADELPHIA.

Petroleum, Standard White	8.65	[illegible]

NEW ORLEANS.

Cotton, Middling	12.19	[illegible]

SAVANNAH.

Spirits of Turpentine	[illegible]	[illegible]

PRODUCE MARKETS.

WHEAT dull. [illegible]

[illegible]

REMARKABLE TRAM ACCIDENT.

Fifteen persons were injured [illegible] at Dudley last evening. [illegible] decked car, with thirty persons [illegible] Wednesbury direction, was started [illegible] Dudley terminus without the driver [illegible] post, and travelled about a quarter [illegible] before it was noticed that the driver [illegible] on the platform. By this time [illegible] attained a good speed on a slight [illegible] and before the conductor could get [illegible] brakes from the inside of the car [illegible] was issuing tickets, the vehicle [illegible] points, tore up the roadway for [illegible] yards, and then overturned. [illegible] were taken to the Borough Hospital [illegible] were detained. Two men were [illegible] ported in a serious condition.

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Post Orders receive prompt attention. Carriage is paid on all cash orders of 10 - and upwards (except Furniture, Carpets, Bedding, &c.)

Dainty Nainsook Modern Night Gown, trimmed Lace and Ribbon, short sleeves, empire waist. **8/6, 12/6, 15/6.**

Haberdashery Dept.

3 Dozen Patent Tunic Belts, assorted colours. Regular price, 9d. each. **Sale price 6d.**

4 Dozen Pails' Washing Dress Shields, full size. Regular price, 7½d. each. **Sale price, 4½d.**

5 Dozen Books Linen Buttons, plain and 2-hole, assorted sizes. Regular price 6½d. per book. **Sale price, 4½d.**

25 Dozen Ladies' Belt Buckles, assorted colours. Regular price, 1/- each. **Sale price, 5½d.**

Glove Dept.

Great Value. Ladies' Natural Chamois Gloves, elastic wrist. Regular price, 2/11 per pair. **Sale price, 1/11.**

12-Button length White Kid Gloves, very special value. Regular price, 3/6 per pair. **Sale price, 1/11½.**

Ladies' Brown, Grey, and Black Cashmere Gloves, 2-dome. Regular price, 2/11 per pair. **Sale price, 1/6.**

2,000 Pairs Gentlemen's Khaki Wool Mitts, very warm. Regular price, 1/- per pair. **Sale price, 8½d.**

Gentlemen's 1-Button Natural Chamois Gloves. Regular price, 2/11. **Sale price, 1/11.**

Boot & Shoe Dept.

Ladies' Glace Kid Derby Shoes, Patent Facings. Usual price, 10/6. **Sale price, 8/6.**

Glace Kid Walking Shoe. Regular price, 10/6. **Sale price, 8/11.**

Ladies' Glace Kid Welted Shoes. Regular price, 12/6. **Sale price, 9/11.**

Ladies' Patent Dress Shoes, with strap and soft buckle. Regular price, 7/6. **Sale price, 5/11.**

Gents' Glace Kid Boots, smart style. Regular price, 13/6. **Sale price, 11/6.**

Gents' Chrome Derbys, for country wear. Regular price, 19/6. **Sale price, 16/6.**

Ladies' Outfitting and Baby Linen Depts.

Dressing Gowns, Wool Ripple and Flannel, handsome designs and colours. Regular price, 36/-, 30/-, 25/-. **Sale price, 30/-, 25/-, 21/-.**

Dressing Gowns in Moleskin and Velvaretta. Regular price, 9/6, 12/6, 15/6. **Sale price, 6/11, 9/6, 12/11.**

Dressing Jackets, warm, and full sizes. Regular price, 4/6, 6/11, 9/6, 10/-. **Sale price, 3/6, 4/9, 7/6, 12/6.**

Ladies' Night Dresses, in Flannel, Pesco Wool, Wincey, Flannelette, Longcloth, and Nainsook, handsomely trimmed. All reduced.

Ladies' Night Dress Winceyette. Regular price, 6/11. **Sale price, 5/6.**

Ladies' Warm Knickers, all shapes, Wool and Mixtures. **Sale price, 2/6, 3/11, 5/11, to 10/6.**

Ladies' Under Skirts, in Silk, Sateen Moirette, Poplin, at Clearing Prices.

Ladies' Corsets, in new shorter makes. **Sale price, 3/6, 4/11, 7/6, to 25/-.**

Hosiery.

75 Dozen Ladies' Ribbed Black Cashmere (perfectly seamless), good value, cash lot. Regular price, 1/6 per pair. **Sale price, 1/1½.**

45 Dozen Ladies' Pure Wool Plain Cashmere Hose (special purchase), spliced heels and toes. Regular price, 1/11 per pair. **Sale price, 1/4½.**

30 Dozen Ladies' Merino Combinations, winter weight (white only), high neck, short sleeves, marvellous value. Regular price 3/6. **Sale price, 1/11.**

36 Dozen Ladies' Fleecy Wool Motor Scarfs, assorted stripes, very special value. Regular price, 2/11. **Sale price, 1/9.**

76 Dozen Gents' Machine-knit Half Hose, heather mixtures, durable wear and good value. Regular price, 1/3 per pair. **Sale price, 10½d.**

35 Dozen Gents' Short Cashmere Half Hose, also striped and clocked, in various colourings. Regular price, 1/11 per pair. **Sale price, 1/4½.**

Millinery Dept.

The Latest in Velvet and Silk Dressy Hats. Regular price, 15/6, 18/6, 24/-, 27/6. **Sale price, 6/11, 9/11, 10/11, 12/11.**

Smart Variety in Tricorn, Bowler, and close-fitting Toques. Regular price, 16/6, 19/6. **Sale price, 7/11, 9/11.**

Semi-trimmed Felts and Tailored Hats in black and colours. Regular price, 8/11, 10/11, 14/11. **Sale price, 4/11, 5/11, 7/11.**

Untrimmed Velour Hats, in black and colours. Regular price, 19/11, 25/-. **Sale price, 9/11, 12/11.**

Mantle Dept.

Our Entire Stock of Smart Coats and Mantles Clearing at Greatly Reduced Prices.

120 Coats, smart shapes, in Fleece and Nap Cloth, also Heather Mixtures. Regular price, 29/6, 35/-. **Sale price, 24/6.**

Smart Coats, Nap, Fleece, Frieze, etc., Belted and Plain Shapes. Regular price, 39/6, 45/-. **Sale price, 35/-.**

Smart Model Coats for dressy wear, various shades. **Sale price, 39/6, 21gs., to 41gs.**

Ladies' Showcproof Coats, three-quarter and full length, best Cloth and Colours. **Sale price, 15/11, 19/6, 22/6, 27/6, and 29/6.**

Smart Model Raincoats, reliable material, Belted and Military Collar. **Sale price, 29/6, 35/-, 42/-, 49/6.**

Fur Department.

Coney Seal Coats. **Sale price, 4gs., 4½gs., 5gs., 6gs., 7gs., to 15 guineas.**

Pony Skin Coats. **Sale price, 7½gs., 8½gs., 10gs., to 19gs.**

Squirrel Sets. **Sale price, 52/6, 59/6, 3½gs., to 5½gs.**

Black Fox and Wolf Sets, tango shape. **Sale price, 3½gs., 4gs., 4½gs., to 10gs.**

Smart Coat, as sketch, in Nap, Fleece, and Velour Cloth. Various colours. **Sale price, 35/-.** Furlined Coats from **63/- to 6 guineas.**

Irish Cambric Handkerchiefs

Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs. Per dozen. **Sale price, 4/-, 5/6, 7/6.**

Ladies' Hemstitched Handkerchiefs. Per dozen. **Sale price, 2/6, 3/9, 5/-.**

Gent's Hemstitched Handkerchiefs. Per dozen. **Sale price, 5/6, 7/6, 9/-.**

Silk Department.

150 Yards Double-width Silk Crepe-de-Chine, in newest colourings. Regular price, 4/6 and 5/6 per yard. **Sale price, 3/6, 3/11.**

120 Yards Double-width open Shirting Silk, in fashionable stripes (fast washing colours). Regular price, 2/3 per yard. **Sale price, 1/10½.**

All our Jap Silks are specially selected goods, guaranteed first quality, 36-inch. Regular price, 1/9½, 2/3, 2/6, 2/11, 3/6 per yard. **Sale price, 1/4½, 1/9½, 1/11½, 2/4½, 2/9.**

40 Pieces 34-inch Natural Silk Shantung, in good washing quality. Regular price, 1/9½ per yard. **Sale price, 11½d.**

Better quality proportionately reduced.

180 Yards Double-width Soft Mousseline Satin, for Gowns, Coats, Wraps, etc. Regular price, 2/11, 3/11, 4/11, 5/11. **Sale price, 2/6½, 2/11, 3/11, 4/9, 5/9.**

1,000 Yards Double and Single-width Black Silk and Satin Remnants, from one to twelve yards, to be cleared at a fraction over cost price.

Smart French Sailor Hat, in contrasting colours (as sketch). **Sale price, 14/11.**

For Set (as sketch) in Black Wolf, Tango shape. **Sale price, 3½ Gns.**

Costume Dept.

Tailor-made Coats and Skirts, smart shapes, Tweed Mixtures. Regular price, 27/6 and 32/6. **Sale price, 21/- and 27/6.**

Tailor-made Coats and Skirts, in a variety of coloured Cheviots, newest shades. Regular price, 35/-, 39/6. **Sale price, 29/6.**

Model Coats and Skirts. Regular price, 84/-, 105/-, and 6 guineas. **Sale price, 63/- and 84/-.**

Black and Navy Coats and Skirts, in fine Cloths. Regular price, 39/6, 49/6, 63/-. **Sale price, 35/-, 39/6, and 52/6.**

Tweed Walking and Sport Skirts, greatly reduced. **Sale price, 8/11, 10/6, 12/6, and 15/-.**

Girls' Dept.

15 Girls' Tweed and Fleece Coats, suit 6 to 15 years. Regular price, 9/11, 12/6, to 29/6.

Special Reductions in Children's and Girls' Evening and Party Frocks. Regular price, 19/6, 21/6, 25/6. **Sale price, 15/6, 17/6, 21/6.**

Dainty Jap Silk and Muslin Frocks, 22/6, to 50/-. Regular price, 7/11, 9/11, 12/11. **Sale price, 5/6, 6/6, 9/6.**

Girls' Heptonette and Waterproof Coats and Capes. Regular price, 19/6, 12/6, 16/-. **Sale price, 8/6, 10/6, 13/6.**

Dress Dept.

30 Pieces 42-inch Mixed Cheviot Tweeds, Heather and Grays. Regular price, 2/6 per yard. **Sale price, 1/7½.**

6 Pieces 50-inch Job-Irish Tweeds, Checks and Striped. Regular price, 3/6 per yard. **Sale price, 2/3.**

25 Pieces 42-inch Gabardine Suitings, Newest Shades. Regular price, 1/6, 2/11 per yard. **Sale price, 1/6½, 1/11.**

Black Dress Goods.

20 Pieces 42-inch Black Venetian Finish Cloth. Regular price, 2/3 per yard. **Sale price, 1/6.**

10 Pieces 54-inch Black Satinette, extra heavy finish. Regular price, 3/11 per yard. **Sale price, 2/11.**

20 Pieces 42-inch French All-Wool Dressy Materials. Regular price, 2/3, 2/6 per yard. **Sale price, 1/11, 2/11.**

Smart Frock, as sketch, in Glace Silk. Black, Navy, Nigger, Wine, Saxe, etc. **Sale price, 49/6.**

Damask Dept.

58-inch wide. Regular price, 1/3 per yard. **Sale price, 10½d.**

200 Pieces Cretonnes, in all the latest colourings and designs. Regular price, 8d. per yard. **Sale price, 6d.**

Remnants of Cretonnes, Tapestries and Casement Cloths at less than half the usual price to clear.

Bullion Tapestry Curtains. Regular price, 19/6 per pair. **Sale price, 15/9.**

Soft yards Bed Valance, finished ready for use, with tapes complete. Regular price, 7d. per yard. **Sale price, 5d.**

Blouse Dept.

10 Dozen Dark Fancy Morning Blouses. Regular price, 2/11. **Sale price, 1/11.**

12 Dozen 4-button-ground Blouses, in various stripes and [illegible] Military and Regulation Shirt Colours. Regular price, 3/11. **Sale price, 2/11.**

6 Dozen Bengaline Blouses, [illegible] with high neck and [illegible] 5/11, 6/11. **Sale price, 3/3 and 4/11.**

10 Dozen Fancy [illegible] different stripes. Regular price [illegible] **Sale price, 4/6, 5/6, 6/11.**

10 Dozen White Jap Silk [illegible] fancy. Regular price [illegible] **Sale price, 4/6, 6/11, 8/11, 10/6.**

7 Dozen Fancy [illegible] Lawn Blouses, [illegible] Regular price, 4/11, 6/11, 8/11, 12/6, and 19/11. **Sale price, 4/11, 6/11, 8/11, 12/6, 16/6, and 19/11.**

Lace Dept.

20 Dozen Ladies' Knitted Scarfs, [illegible] and fancy stripes. Regular price [illegible] 1/3, 1/6½, 2/6, 4/3, 4/11, and 6/11. **Sale price, [illegible]**

Irish Crochet Lace [illegible] price [illegible] **Sale price, 1/1, 1/2, 1/3, 1/4, 1/6, 1/9, [illegible]**

Art Needlework Dept.

[illegible] **Sale price, 5/6.**

[illegible] **Sale price, 6½d.**

[illegible] **Sale price, 1/3.**

[illegible] **Sale price, 2/9.**

[illegible] to clear.

Gentlemen's Shirt Dept.

Gentlemen's White Dress Shirts, [illegible] Regular price, 4/-. **Sale price, 2/11.**

Gentlemen's Dress Shirts, [illegible] ting. Regular price [illegible] **Sale price, 3/11, 4/11, 5/6.**

Gentlemen's Flannel Dress Shirts, [illegible] medium and [illegible] 10/6. **Sale price, 4/11, 6/11, 7/11.**

Gentlemen's Flannelette Pyjamas, [illegible] gular price [illegible] **Sale price, 3/11.**

Gentlemen's Collars and Ties.

Gentlemen's Collars, [illegible] Regular price [illegible] **Sale price, 3/6.**

Umbrella Department.

Ladies' Gloria Cloth Umbrellas, [illegible] handles. **Sale price, 3/11, 5/6, 6/6.**

Ladies' Taffeta Umbrellas, [illegible] Fancy handles. **Sale price, 7/11, 9/11.**

Flannel Dept.

[illegible] of Flannel Dressing Gowns and [illegible] **Sale price, 8/11.**

Sale price, 11d., 11½d., 1/-, 1/1, 1/2, 1/3.

Sale price, 11d., 1/1, 1/3, 1/4.

Sale price, 1/1, 1/2, 1/3, 1/4, 1/6, 1/9.

Sale price, 1/4, 1/5, 1/6, 1/8, 1/9.

Sale price, 2/3.

Flannel Blankets.

Calico Dept.

Sale price, 4½d., 6d., 9½d., 10d., 10½d., 11d.

Plain and Striped Flannelettes.

Sale price, 3½d., 4½d., 5½d., 6½d., 7½d., 8½d.

Cotton Sheeting Department.

Sale price, 10d., 11d., 1/-, 1/1, 1/2, 1/3, 1/4, 1/6, 1/10.

Sale price, 1/3, 1/4, 1/6, 1/8, 1/10.

Hemmed Sheets.

Sale price, 3/11, 4/6.

Ribbon Dept.

[illegible] **Sale price, 5/6.**

[illegible] 7/6, 8/6, 9/6, 10/6.

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FINANCIAL NEWS

THE MONEY MARKET.

Bank Rate (changed August 8, 1914) .. 5 p.c.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, SATURDAY.

The ten millions sterling of new French Treasury bills tendered for at mid-week, were duly paid for to-day, against which old bills to a total of £9,400,000 were paid off. Despite this big turnover, money in the loan market was easy, all loans were quoted at 2½ p.c., but the general rate was 2½ p.c. Weekly fixtures were arranged at 4½ p.c. The Bank of England had no fresh bills, and took no discounts with the market. In support, but it sold a good number of Treasury bills and Exchequer bonds on the usual terms. Nearly three millions was disbursed in dividends and interest payments, and upon Home Railway Debs. But, to-day being a half-day, the market did not feel the full effect of these payments. The appearance of the discount market was steady, with no material change in quotations. The number of bills on offer was limited, short-dated drafts being in rather better supply than longer maturities. Two months' drafts are posted at 5 to 5¼ p.c., three months at 5¼ to 5½ p.c., and six months' at 5½ p.c. Commercial bills were unaltered, the range still being 5½ to 6 p.c.

Bank Rate Discount — ... ranged August 8, 1914, 5 p.c.

60 days	5 p.c.	Trade	5½ p.c.
3 months	5¼ p.c.		5½ p.c.
4 months	5½ p.c.		5½ p.c.
6 months	5½ p.c.		5½ p.c.

Loans to bill brokers against stock, for a week ... 4½ p.c.
Do. do. for a week ... 4½ p.c.
Last rate for bills given to stockbrokers 5½ p.c.
Deposit allowance: Banks ... 2½ p.c.
Do. Discount Houses at call 3½ p.c.
Do. do. at notice 3½ p.c.

The Silver market fell back yd. to 27d. per oz. for spot bars. There was not much selling, but fresh support was also of an all at negligible character.

The Bank of England announced the purchase of £1,000 in bar gold.

LONDON STOCK MARKETS IRREGULAR.

HOME RAILS STEADIER. AMERICANS FIRMER.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, SATURDAY.

Business on the Stock Exchange was not on a broad scale, but it was about up to the average for a half-session. Price movements were of an irregular character. The undertone was generally stated. Domestic issues were again quiet, owing to reflecting the new loan ... that the operation might ... for a little, in view of the ... payments are ... that the Bank ... to extend the period ... certificates of the new ... for another week. ... The Old War Loan ... but the 4½ p.c. Loan ... There were one or two ... among Colonial Scrips. ... business in ... quotations ... asked, assisted by ... certain companies. Better Wall ... assisted ... there having been some revival of speculative interest in New York overnight, owing to the development of a more reassured view ... Mexican situation. Rubber Shares came up a little, the raw material being dearer. In the Foreign market business was at a lowest possible ebb. Categorical statements were again current regarding the seriousness of the Kaiser's condition, but there was, of course, no means of confirming them. The new French Loan eased ¼ to 65½, while the French Treasury bills, which were paid for to-day, changed hands on a basis of 5½ p.c. Russians were inclined to go better, and Japanese were irregular.

Gilt-edged Government issues were quiet, and ... to firm. The Threes shed ¼ at 69¼, ... Loans Stock was dull. There was a ... (1925) to 66¼ to 22 p.c. Colonial issues ... Debs. were ... Debs. ... Debs. ... Debs.

THE AMERICAN MARKETS.

STOCKS CLOSED IRREGULAR.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, SATURDAY.

Stocks to-day have been active, but the movements more or less were confusing, the market closing irregular. Government Bonds steady, Railroad Bonds strong.

Gains—Chicago North-Western Preferred, 1; Illinois Central, 1, and Missouri Kansas Second Mortgage and Reading First Preferred, 1. Losses—United States Steel Common, 1, and Denver Rio Grande Common and Chicago Rock Island, 1½.

Money nominal. Sterling exchange weak. Silver commercial bars ⅛ down.

The weekly return of the New York Clearing House shows the following aggregate changes compared with the previous return:—Loans, 16,870,000 dollars; increase reserve in Federal reserve banks, 1,450,000 dollars; increase reserve other depositories, 1,140,000 dollars; increase net demand deposits, 34,750,000 dollars; increase net time deposits, 320,000 dollars; increase circulation, 230,000 dollars; decrease excess reserve, 11,890,000 dollars.

CLOSING PRICES.

Eng. Parity.	Stocks.	Closing Bid Prices. Fri.	Sat.	Business Done.
103½	U.S. 2% Funded	99	99	—
112½	Atch., Top., Santa Fe	106½	106½	—
104½	Do. Preference	99½	99½	—
99½	Do. New 4% Gen. Mt.	94½	94	—
112½	Do. 4% Con. Bds.	106½	106½	—
99½	Baltimore and Ohio	94½	94½	—
83½	Do. Preferred	79½	79½	—
188½	Canadian Pacific	179½	179½	—
105½	Chic., Mil., & St. Paul	101	101½	—
141½	Do. Preferred	134½	134½	—
181½	Chic. & N.W. Pf.	172	173	—
	Chic. Rock I. & Pacific	19½	17½	—
	Denver & Rio Grande	13½	12	—
	Do. Preferred	20½	21	—
	Erie Railroad	41½	41½	—
	Do. 1st Preferred	57	57	—
	Do. Lien Bonds	76½	76½	—
	Illinois Central	106½	107	—
	Louisville & Nashville	129	129	—
	Miss., Kan. & Texas	6½	6½	—
	Do. 2nd Mt. 4% G. Bs.	49½	50	—
	Missouri Pacific	6½	6½	—
	N.Y. Ctl. & Hudson R.	110½	110	—
	Norfolk & Westn. Cm.	120	120	—
	Do. 4% Con. Bds.	119½	119½	—
	Ontario & Western	29	29	—
	Pennsylvania Shares	58½	58½	—
	Reading Shares	82½	81½	—
	Do. 1st Preferred	43	43½	—
100	Do. 4% Mort.	85½	85½	—
24½	Southern Railway	23½	23	—
67½	Do. Preferred	64	64	—
107½	Southern Pacific	102½	102½	—
144½	Union Pacific	137½	137½	—
85½	Do. Preferred	82½	82½	—
17½	Wabash New	16½	16½	—
50½	Do. Preferred A	48½	48½	—
90½	U.S. Steel Common	86½	86	—
123½	Do. Preferred	117½	117½	—
—	Silver Commerc'l Bars	57	56½	—

* asked. ‡ ex div. † 50 dols. per basis.

The London parity prices are quoted at the current rate of exchange, but no account is taken of the cost of insurance.

	Friday.	Saturday. Nominal.
Call Money	1½ bid 2 ask	
Ex. on London 60 days' sight	4.71 50	4.70 75
Cable Transfers	4.77 10	4.76 25
Ex. on Paris, sight	5.84	5.84½
Ex. on Berlin, sight	76½	76½
Cotton, Middling, Upland	12.50	12.50
Petroleum, Refined, in cases	11.00	11.25
Petroleum, Standard, White	8.65	8.90
Petroleum, Pipe Line Certs.	2.25	2.25
Spirits of Turpentine	57½	57
Lard, Prime Western Steam	10.77½	10.85
Tallow, Special	8½	8½
Sugar, Centrifugal (duty paid)	4.52	4.52
Corn, Western No. 2 Mixed	84½	83½
Wheat, Spring, No. 1 Northern	143½	143
Do. No. 2 Hard Winter	140½	140½
Coffee, Rio, No. 7	8	8
Flour, Spring Wheat, Clears	5.20 5.30	5.20 5.30
Iron, No. 2 Northern Foundry	19.75 20.25	19.75 20.25
Tin, Straits	41	41
Copper, Standard	—	—
Freight, Grain, steamers to Liverpool, per bushel	21d.	21d.
Freight, Grain, steamers to London, per bushel	24d.	24d.
Freight (Cotton, to Liverpool)	300c.	300c.

PHILADELPHIA.

Petroleum, Standard White	8.65	8.90

NEW ORLEANS.

Cotton, Middling	12.19	12.19

SAVANNAH.

Spirits of Turpentine	55.00	55.00 55½

PRODUCE MARKETS.

NEW YORK, SATURDAY.

WHEAT dull. Spot irregular.

	May.
To-day	135½
Previous day	135½

CORN easy for spot.

COFFEE declined on light selling, and closed easy, spot quiet.

	March.	May.
To-day	7.05	7.10
Previous day	7.08	7.15

SUGAR steady.

COTTON advanced on better conditions in the cotton trade, but declined on Wall street selling, and closed barely steady. Spot quiet and unaltered. Receipts—Atlantic, 15,000; Gulf, 21,000; Pacific, ... Exports—Britain, 10,000; Continent, 8,000; Japan, ...

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apl.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.
To-day	12.29	12.38	12.47	12.57	12.69	12.73	12.81	12.73
Prev. day	12.50	12.59	12.69	12.79	12.89	12.79	12.85	12.77

COTTON OIL firm and unchanged to 6 points up.

PETROLEUM—Refined steady, 25 points dearer. Stocks balance are unchanged. TALLOW firm. METAL market steady. FLOUR quiet. LARD—Cash market steady, 5 points advance.

CHICAGO, SATURDAY.

WHEAT opened easy ⅛c. to ½c. down, and further receded on larger Australian shipments, weaker Liverpool cables, more favourable weather in the South-West, and liquidation; then rallied under reports of frost damage by insects, lighter receipts and foreigners buying, but realising followed, and the market closed steady barely steady, but unchanged, to ½c. ...

MOVEMENTS OF GRAIN (IN THOUSANDS).

	This Year.	Last Year.	This Season.	Last Season.
WHEAT. Receipts—Western Ports	935	626	331207	334382
Shipments—Western Ports	703	2070	111304	145234

	May.	July.
To-day	127½	121
Previous day	127½	123½

CORN opened easy, ⅛c. to ½c. down, and kept lower for a time on larger country offerings, favourable weather and ... ; Shorts covering checked the decline, but the market closed barely steady on realising at the decline.

	May.	July.
To-day	78½	79
Previous day	79½	79½

OATS steady and unchanged to ⅛c. down.

	May.	July.
To-day	50½	48½
Previous day	50½	48½

PROVISIONS opened fairly steady, in unison with hogs, and ... then advanced sharply ... covering and investment buying ... with lard 7½ up and ribs ...

LARD—

	Jan.	May.	July.
To-day	10.55	10.85	10.90
Previous day	10.47½	10.77½	10.90

PORK—

	Jan.	May.
To-day	19.27½	19.87½
Previous day	19.00	19.52½

RIBS—

	Jan.	May.
To-day	10.55	10.85
Previous day	10.40	10.80

HOGS ... points dearer. Receipts of hogs in Western centres, including Chicago, 151,000, against 6,902,000 ... receipts of hogs at Chicago ... The week's hog packing ... against 20,000 last week, and corresponding week last year. ... 20 points down.

	Short Rib Sides.	HOGS. Dressed.	Light.	Heavy.
To-day	10.12½ 10.55	6.68 7.10	6.80 7.25
Previous day	10.09 10.40	7.00 7.40	7.00 7.55

Receipts Western 140,000 last year 49,000; Chicago 30,000 last year 20,000.

REMARKABLE TRAM ACCIDENT.

Fifteen persons were injured in a tram accident at Dudley last evening. A double-decked car, with thirty persons, going in the Wednesbury direction, was started from the Dudley terminus without the driver at his post, and travelled about a quarter of a mile before it was noticed that the driver was not on the platform. By this time the car had attained a good speed on a slight gradient, and before the conductor could get to the brakes from the inside of the car, where he was issuing tickets, the vehicle jumped the points, tore up the roadway for ten or a dozen yards, and then overturned. Sixteen persons were taken to the Borough Hospital, and six were detained. Two men were last night reported in a serious condition.

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Dainty Nainsook Modern Night Gown, trimmed Lace and Ribbon, short sleeves, empire waist, 8/6, 12/6, 15/6.

Ladies' Outfitting and Baby Linen Depts.

Dressing Gowns, Wool Ripple and Flannel, handsome designs and colours. Regular price, 36/-, 30/-, 25/-. **Sale price, 30/-, 25/-, 21/-.**
Dressing Gowns in Molleton and Velourette. Regular price, 9/6, 12/6, 15/6. **Sale price, 6/11, 9/6, 12/11.**
Dressing Jackets, warm, and full sizes. Regular price, 4/6, 6/11, 9/6, 16/-. **Sale price, 3/6, 4/9, 7/6, 12/6.**
Ladies' Night Dresses, in Flannel, Pesco Wool, Wincey, Flannelette, Longcloth, and Nainsook, handsomely trimmed. All reduced.
Ladies' Night Dress Winceyette. Regular price, 6/11. **Sale price, 5/6.**
Ladies' Warm Knickers, all shapes, Wool and Mixtures. **Sale price, 2/6, 3/11, 5/11, to 10/6.**
Ladies' Under Skirts, in Silk, Satin, Moirette, Poplin, at Clearing Prices.
Ladies' Corsets, in new shorter makes. **Sale price, 3/6, 4/11, 7/6, to 25/-.**

Haberdashery Dept.

3 Dozen Patent Tunic Belts, assorted colours. Regular price, 9d. each. **Sale price 6d.**
4 Dozen Pairs Washing Dress Shields, full size. Regular price, 7½d. each. **Sale price, 4½d.**
6 Dozen Books Linen Buttons, plain and 2-hole, assorted sizes. Regular price, 6½d. per book. **Sale price, 4½d.**
25 Dozen Ladies' Belt Buckles, assorted colours. Regular price, 1/- each. **Sale price, 6½d.**

Glove Dept.

Great Value, Ladies' Natural Chamois Gloves, elastic wrist. Regular price, 2/11 per pair. **Sale price, 1/11.**
12-Button length White Kid Gloves, very special value. Regular price, 3/6 per pair. **Sale price, 1/11½.**
Ladies' Brown, Grey, and Black Cashmere Gloves, 2-dome. Regular price, 1/11 per pair. **Sale price, 1/6.**
2,000 Pairs Gentlemen's Khaki Wool Mitts, very warm. Regular price, 1/- per pair. **Sale price, 8½d.**
Gentlemen's, 1-Button Natural Chamois Gloves. Regular price, 2/11. **Sale price, 1/11.**

Boot & Shoe Dept.

Ladies' Glace Kid Derby Shoes, Patent Facings. Usual price, 10/6. **Sale price, 8/6.**
Ladies' Glace Kid Walking Shoes. Regular price, 10/6. **Sale price, 8/11.**
Ladies' Glace Kid Welted Shoes. Regular price, 12/6. **Sale price, 9/11.**
Ladies' Patent Dress Shoes, with strap and side buckle. Regular price, 7/6. **Sale price, 5/11.**
Gents' Glace Kid Boots, smart style. Regular price, 13/6. **Sale price, 11/6.**
Gents' Chrome Derbys, for country wear. Regular price, 19/6. **Sale price, 16/6.**

Hosiery.

75 Dozen Ladies' Ribbed Black Cashmere Hose (perfectly seamless), good value, job lot. Regular price, 1/6 per pair. **Sale price, 1/1½.**
45 Dozen Ladies' Pure Wool Plain Cashmere Hose (special purchase) spliced heels and toes. Regular price, 1/11 per pair. **Sale price, 1/4½.**
30 Dozen Ladies' Merino Combinations, winter weight (white only), high neck, short sleeves, marvellous value. Regular price, 3/6. **Sale price, 1/11.**
38 Dozen Ladies' Fleecy Wool Motor Scarfs, assorted stripes, very special value. Regular price, 2/11. **Sale price, 1/9.**
75 Dozen Gents' Machine-knit Half Hose, heather mixtures, durable wear and good value. Regular price, 1/3 per pair. **Sale price, 10½d.**
35 Dozen Gents' Shot Cashmere Half Hose, also striped and clocked in various colourings. Regular price, 1/11 per pair. **Sale price, 1/4½.**

Smart Coat, as sketch, in Nap, Fleece, and Velour Cloth. Various colours. **Sale price, 35/-.** Fur-lined Coats from 63/- to 6 guineas.

Millinery Dept.

The Latest in Velvet and Silk Dressy Hats. Regular price, 15/6, 18/6, 24/-, 27/6. **Sale price, 8/11, 9/11, 10/11, 12/11.**
Smart Variety in Tricorn, Bowler, and close-fitting Toques. Regular price, 16/6, 19/6. **Sale price, 7/11, 9/11.**
Semi-trimmed Felts and Tailored Hats in black and colours. Regular price, 8/11, 10/11, 14/11. **Sale price, 4/11, 5/11, 7/11.**
Untrimmed Velour Hats in black and colours. Regular price, 19/11, 25/-. **Sale price, 9/11, 12/11.**

Mantle Dept.

Our Entire Stock of Smart Coats and Mantles Clearing at Greatly Reduced Prices.
120 Coats, smart shapes, in Fleece and Nap Cloth, also Heather Mixtures. Regular price, 29/6, 35/-. **Sale price, 24/6.**
Smart Coats, Nap, Fleece, Frieze, etc., Belted and Plain Shapes. Regular price, 39/6. **Sale price, 35/-.**
Smart Model Coats for dressy wear, various shades. **Sale price, 39/6, 2½gs. to 4½gs.**
Ladies' Showerproof Coats, three-quarter and full length, best Cloth and Colours. **Sale price, 15/11, 19/6, 22/6, 27/6, and 29/6.**
Smart Model Raincoats, reliable material, Belted and Military Collars. **Sale price, 29/6, 35/-, 42/-, 49/6.**

Fur Department.

Coney Seal Coats. **Sale price, 4gs., 4½gs., 5gs., 6gs., 7gs., to 15 guineas.**
Pony Skin Coats. **Sale price, 7½gs., 8½gs., 10gs., to 19gs.**
Squirrel Sets. **Sale price, 52/6, 59/6, 3½gs., to 5½gs.**
Black Fox and Wolf Sets, tango shape. **Sale price, 3½gs., 4gs., 4½gs., to 10gs.**

Irish Cambric Handkerchiefs

Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs. Per dozen. **Sale price, 4/-, 5/6, 7/6.**
Ladies' Hemstitched Handkerchiefs. Per dozen. **Sale price, 2/6, 3/9, 5/-.**
Gent's Hemstitched Handkerchiefs. Per dozen. **Sale price, 5/6, 7/6, 9/-.**

Silk Department.

150 Yards Double-width Silk Crepe-de-Chine, in newest colourings. Regular price, 4/6 and 5/6 per yard. **Sale price, 3/6, 3/11½.**
120 Yards Double-width spun Shirting Silk, in fashionable stripes (fast washing colours). Regular price, 2/3 per yard. **Sale price, 1/10½.**
All our Jap Silks are specially selected goods, guaranteed first quality; 36-inch. Regular price, 1/9½, 2/3, 2/6, 2/11, 3/6 per yard. **Sale price, 1/4½, 1/9½, 1/11½, 2/4½, 2/8.**
40 Pieces 34-inch Natural Silk Shantung, in good washing quality. Regular price, 1/9½ per yard. **Sale price, 11½d.**
Better qualities proportionately reduced.
180 Yards Double-width Soft Mousseline Satin, for Gowns, Coats, Wraps, etc. Regular price, 2/11, 3/11, 4/11, 5/11, 6/11. **Sale price, 2/6½, 2/11, 3/11, 4/9, 5/6.**
1,000 Yards Double and Single-width Black Silk and Satin Remnants, from one to twelve yards, to be cleared at a fraction over cost price.

Smart French Sailor Hat, in contrasting colours (as sketch). **Sale price, 14/11.**

Fur Set (as sketch), in Black Wolf, Tango shape. **Sale price, 3½ Gns.**

Costume Dept.

Tailor-made Coats and Skirts, smart shapes, Tweed Mixtures. Regular price, 27/6 and 32/6. **Sale price, 21/- and 27/6.**
Tailor-made Coats and Skirts, in a variety of coloured Cheviots, newest shades. Regular price, 35/-, 39/6. **Sale price, 29/6.**
Model Coats and Skirts. Regular price, 84/-, 105/-, and 6 guineas. **Sale price, 63/- and 84/-.**
Black and Navy Coats and Skirts, in fine Coating. Regular price, 39/6, 49/6, 63/-. **Sale price, 35/-, 39/6, and 52/6.**
Tweed Walking and Sport Skirts, greatly reduced. **Sale price, 8/11, 10/6, 12/6, and 15/-.**

Girls' Dept.

15 Girls' Tweed and Fleece Coats, suit 6 to 15 years. Regular price, 9/11, 12/6, to 29/6. **Sale price, 6/6, 9/6, to 25/-.**
Special Reductions in Children's and Girls' Evening and Party Frocks. Regular price, 18/6, 21/6, 25/6. **Sale price, 15/6, 17/6, 21/6.**
Dainty Jap Silk and Muslin Frocks, 22in. to 30in. Regular price, 7/11, 9/11, 12/11. **Sale price, 5/6, 6/6, 9/6.**
Girls' Heptonette and Waterproof Coats and Capes. Regular price, 10/6, 12/6, 16/6. **Sale price, 8/6, 10/6, 13/6.**

Dress Dept.

30 Pieces 42-inch Mixed Cheviot Tweeds, Heather and Greys. Regular prices 2/6 per yard. **Sale price, 1/7½.**
6 Pieces 50-inch Job Irish Tweeds, Checks and Striped. Regular price, 3/3 per yard. **Sale price, 2/3.**
20 Pieces 42-inch Gabardine Suitings, Newest Shades. Regular price, 2/6, 2/11 per yard. **Sale price, 1/6½, 1/11.**

Black Dress Goods.

20 Pieces 42-inch Black Venetian Finish Cloth. Regular price, 2/3 per yard. **Sale price, 1/6.**
10 Pieces 54-inch Black Sicilian, extra heavy finish. Regular price, 3/11 per yard. **Sale price, 2/11.**
20 Pieces 42-inch French All-Wool Dressy Materials. Regular price, 2/9, 3/9 per yard. **Sale price, 1/11, 2/11.**

Damask Dept.

80-inch wide. Regular price, 1/2 per yard. **Sale price, 10½d.**
200 Pieces Cretonnes, in all the latest colourings and designs. Regular price 8d. per yard. **Sale price, 6d.**
Remnants of Cretonnes, Tapestries, and Casement Cloths at less than Half the usual price to clear.
Bolton Twill Curtains. Regular price, 19/6 per pair. **Sale price, 15/9.**
500 yards Bed Valance, finished ready for use, with tapes complete. Regular price, 7d. per yard. **Sale price, 5d.**

Smart Frock, as sketch, in Glace Silk, Black, Navy, Nigger, Wine, Saxe, etc. **Sale price, 49/6.**

Blouse Dept.

10 Dozen Dark Fancy Morning Blouses. Regular price, 2/11. **Sale price, 1/11.**
12 Dozen Cream-ground Blouses, in Twill, various stripes and sizes, with Military and Regulation Shirt Collars. Regular price, 3/11. **Sale price, 2/11.**
9 Dozen Bengaline Blouses, in all shades, with high and low Collars. Regular price, 3/11, 5/11. **Sale price, 3/3 and 4/11.**
15 Dozen Fancy Stripe Delaine Blouses, different styles. Regular price, 5/6, 6/11, 7/11. **Sale price, 4/6, 5/6, 6/11.**
10 Dozen White Jap Silk Blouses, plain and fancy. Regular price, 5/11, 7/11, 10/6, 13/6. **Sale price, 4/6, 6/11, 8/11, 10/6.**
7 Dozen Crepe-de-Chine, Ninon, Broche, and Luviesca Blouses, in all the latest styles. Regular price, 5/11, 7/11, 10/6, 13/11, 18/6, and 25/6. **Sale price, 4/11, 6/11, 8/11, 12/-, 15/6, and 19/11.**

Crepe-de-Chine Blouse (as sketch). **Sale price, 8/11.**

Lace Dept.

20 Dozen Ladies' Knitted Scarves, in plain and fancy stripes. Regular price, 1/6, 1/11, 2/11, 4/11, 5/11, and 8/11. **Sale price, 1/2½, 1/8½, 2/6, 4/3, 4/11, and 6/11.**
Irish Crochet Lace Collars clearing at Half price.

Art Needlework Dept.

2 Dozen Cushions, assorted colours. Regular price, 1/6. **Sale price, 9d.**
6 Dozen Cretonne Cushion Tops, new designs. Regular price, 11½d. **Sale price, 6½d.**
3 Dozen White Muslin and Crash Cosy Covers. Regular price, 1/9. **Sale price, 1/3.**
A good variety of Cushions, Cosys, Muslin, Cushion and Cosy Covers, too numerous to mention in catalogue, all very much Reduced to clear.

Gentlemen's Shirt Dept.

Gentlemen's White Dress Shirts, fit perfection. Regular price, 4/6. **Sale price, 2/11.**
Gentlemen's White Dress Shirts, perfect fitting. Regular price, 5/6, 6/6, and 7/6. **Sale price, 3/11, 4/11, 5/6.**
Gentlemen's Flannel Day Shirts, warm and unshrinkable. Regular price, 6/6, 8/6, and 10/6. **Sale price, 4/11, 6/11, 7/11.**
Gentlemen's Flannelette Pyjama Suits. Regular price, 5/6. **Sale price, 3/11.**

Gentlemen's Collars and Ties.

Gentlemen's Collars, all the leading shapes. Regular price, 5/6 and 7/6 per dozen. **Sale price, 3/6.**

Umbrella Department.

Ladies' Umbrellas, for neat wear, artistic handles. Regular price, 4/6, 7/6, 8/11. **Sale price, 3/11, 5/6, 6/6.**
Ladies' Umbrellas, Laventine Silk Covers, Fox's frames. Regular price, 10/6 and 12/6. **Sale price, 7/11, 8/11.**

Flannel Dept.

Large Assortment of Blouse Delaines and Flannels. Per yard. **Sale price, 11d., 11½d., 1/-, 1/1, 1/2, 1/3.**
Angola Shirting Flannels. Per yard. **Sale price, 11d., 1/1, 1/3, 1/4.**
White, Medium and Saxony Flannels. Per yard. **Sale price, 1/-, 1/1, 1/2, 1/3, 1/4, 1/6, 1/9.**
Scarlet, Medium and Saxony Flannels. Per yard. **Sale price, 1/4, 1/5, 1/6, 1/8, 1/9.**
54-inch Pyrenees Flannels. Per yard. **Sale price, 2/9.**
Oddments, Remnants in Shirtings, Delaines, etc., Greatly Reduced.

Calico Dept.

42-inch Superfine Long Cloth. Per yard. **Sale price, 3½d., 9d., 9½d., 10d., 10½d., 11d., 11½d., 1/-, 1/1.**

Plain and Striped Flannelettes.

Pink, Cream, and White Flannelette. Per yard. **Sale price, 3½d., 4½d., 5½d., 6½d., 7½d., 8½d., 9½d.**
Striped Flannelette. Per yard. **Sale price, 4½d., 5d., 5½d., 6d., 6½d., 7d., 7½d., 8d., 8½d., 9d., 10d.**

Cotton Sheeting Department.

72-inch White Sheeting. Per yard. **Sale price, 10d., 11d., 1/-, 1/1, 1/2, 1/3, 1/4, 1/6, 1/8, 1/10.**
80-inch White Sheeting. Per yard. **Sale price, 1/3, 1/4, 1/6, 1/8, 1/10.**

Hemmed Sheets.

1½ by 2½ yards. Per pair. **Sale price, 3/11, 4/6, 5/-.**
2 by 2½ yards. Per pair. **Sale price, 3/11, 4/6, 5/-, 5/6, 6/-, 6/6, 7/-, 7/6, 8/6, 9/6, 10/6.**

Ribbon Dept.

50 Pieces of 1½-inch coloured Glace Silk Ribbon, suitable for Children's hair-ties. Regular price, 3d. per yard. **Sale price, 2d.**
30 Pieces of 2-inch coloured Glace Silk Ribbon. Regular price, 4d. per yard. **Sale price, 3d.**

McBIRNEY & CO., Ltd., Aston's Quay, Dublin.

FINANCIAL NEWS

THE MONEY MARKET.

Bank Rate (changed August 8, 1914)... 5 p.c.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, SATURDAY.

The ten millions sterling of new French Treasury bills, tendered for at mid-week, were duly paid for to-day, against which old bills to a total of £9,400,000 were paid off. Despite this big turnover, money in the loan market was in good supply. Call loans were quoted up to 4½ p.c., but the general rate was 4 to 4¼ p.c. Weekly fixtures were arranged at 4¼ to 4½ p.c. The Bank of England had no fresh business in loans or discounts with the market to report, but it sold a good number of Treasury bills and Exchequer bonds on the usual terms. Nearly three millions was disbursed in various dividend and interest payments, mainly upon Home Railway Debs., but, today being a half-day, the market did not feel the full effect of these payments. The appearance of the discount market was steady, without any material change in quotations. The number of bills on offer was limited, short-dated drafts being in rather better supply than longer maturities. Two months' drafts were posted at 5 to 5$\frac{1}{16}$ p.c., three months' at 5$\frac{1}{16}$ to 5¼ p.c., and six months' at 5¼ p.c. Commercial bills were unaltered, the range still being 5¼ to 6 p.c.

Bank Rate (Discount) changed August 8, 1914, 5 p.c.

60 days fine	5	5¼ p.c.				
3 months	5$\frac{1}{16}$	5¼ p.c.	Trade	5¼	6	p.c.
4 months	5¼	p.c.	"	5¼	6	p.c.
6 months	5¼	p.c.	"	5½	6	p.c.
Loans to bill brokers day-to-day				4	4¼	p.c.
do. do. for a week				4¼	4½	p.c.
Last rate fortnightly loans to stockbrokers				5		p.c.
Deposit allowance: Banks				3½		p.c.
do. Discount Houses at call				3½		p.c.
do. do. at notice				3¾		p.c.

The Silver market fell back $\frac{1}{16}$d. to 27d. per oz. for spot bars. There was not much selling, but fresh support was also of an almost negligible character.

The Bank of England announced the purchase of £1,000 in bar gold.

LONDON STOCK MARKETS IRREGULAR.

HOME RAILS STEADIER.
AMERICANS FIRMER.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, SATURDAY.

Business on the Stock Exchange was not on a brisk scale, but it was about up to the average for a half-session. Price movements were of an irregular character. The undertone of markets was sound. Domestic issues were again off colour, reflecting the new loan talk. There was more disposition, however, to-day to believe that the operation might still be postponed for a little, in view of the rapidity with which income tax payments are being made. It may be noted that the Bank of England has agreed to extend the period during which large certificates of the new French Loan may be split for another week. Consols fell ⅛ to 58½. The Old War Loan closed unchanged at 89½, but the 4½ p.c. Loan at 96$\frac{13}{16}$ was $\frac{1}{16}$ down. There were one or two gains averaging ⅛ among Colonial Scrips. While there was not much fresh business in the Home Railway market to carry quotations forward, the tone held steady, assisted by Deb. interest payments by certain companies. Better Wall street cables assisted American Rails, there having been some revival of speculative interest in New York overnight, owing to the development of a more reassured view regarding the Mexican situation. Rubber Shares came up a little, the raw material being steadier. In the Foreign market business was at a lowest possible ebb. Categorical statements were again current regarding the seriousness of the Kaiser's condition, but there was, of course, no means of confirming them. The new French Loan eased ⅛ to 83½, while the French Treasury bills, which were paid for to-day, changed hands on a basis of 5⅜ p.c. Russians were inclined to go better, and Japanese were irregular.

Indian Government issues were quiet, and not quite so firm. The Threes shed ⅛ at 69½. Local Loans Stock was dull. There was a decline of ½ to 60½ in 2½ p.c. Childers, but the 2¾ p.c.'s recovered that fraction to 57.

General business in the Foreign market was hardly sufficient to test quotations. Russians enjoyed a firm tone, but the Fives, after being higher, concluded without net change at 84½. Portuguese Bonds reacted a point to 62. Tintos were not dealt in. Among enemy issues, Hungarian Rentes were marked up ½ to 47. Japanese Bonds showed hesitancy. The 4½ p.c.'s were unchanged to ½ down, but the Fives of 1907 rose ¾ to 90½. Chinese issues ruled steady, with little alteration. Peruvians marked time in the South American group. There were some irregular changes of around ½ among Brazilian Bonds. The Funding Loan gave way ¾ to 73½. Egyptians held their ground.

Home Rails, while enjoying a steady undertone, showed some irregularity of movement on adjustments incidental to the week-end. In the Heavy group there were several variations of ⅛ to ¼ either way. North-Westerns will the latter fraction to 104, but Great Westerns added ¼. There was a jump of ¾ to 95¼ in South-Western Def. The Prefd. at 69¼ was ¾ up. Passenger Stocks developed no feature, and were little altered on the session. There was a rise of ¼ to 58 in Chatham 1st Pref. South-Eastern Def., after a further setback, closed unchanged at 24½. Underground Electrics fell 6d. to 37s. In the Scotch group, North British Prefd. put on ¼ at 45½, but Caledonian Def. shed ¼.

Americans enjoyed a firmer tone throughout, and finished with a good majority of net gains averaging ¼. New York Centrals advanced that fraction to 115, with the greater portion of the list, despite the proposed issue of 11½ million dollars worth of equipment notes by the company. Steel Common rebounded 1¼ to 90¼, the Stock having evidently become oversold in New York. Illinois Centrals further receded ⅛ to 111, and Missouris at 6⅜ were rather easier.

Canadian Pacifics, closing at 187½, were a dollar to the good. Trand Trunk senior Prefs. put on ⅛ to ¾, but the 4 p.c. Perp. Debs. at 71½ were ½ down.

A rather harder tone characterised Mexican Rails, and the 1st Pref. improved ½ to 61½. Argentine Rails fluctuated at times, but they left off with many gains of ¼ to ½. Buenos Ayres Westerns jumped 1½ to 90½. San Paulos, in the Brazilian group, fell ¼ to 173½. United of the Havana at 78½ was ¼ down.

BUSINESS DONE:—

Last M.U.	STOCKS and SHARES		Rise or Fall.
—	Consols Money	58½	— ⅛
—	Nat'l Land Stock 2¾ %	58½	
—	War Loan, 1914	89½	
—	Do. 1915	96⅞	
—	Local Loan	79½	
—	Bank of England	230	
—	India 3½ %	80½	
—	Do. 3 %	69½	— ⅛
—	London Co. Consol. 3 %	75½	

Foreign Bonds.

Last M.U.			Rise or Fall.
102	Argentine 5 % 1886	98½	
95	Do. 4 % Rescission	76½	
15	Do. 5 % 1887	98½	
70½	Brazil 4 % 1889	58	+ ½
80	Do. 4 % 1911	47½	+ ½
	Do. 5 % Funding 1914	73½	— ¾
71	Do. 4 % Rescission	52½	
84½	Chilian 5 % 1886	88	
101	Chinese 5 % 1896	98	
	Do. 4½ % 1898	86½	
87½	Do. 5 % 1912	74½	+ ½
98½	Egyptian Unified	74½	
86½	Greek 5 %	65	
93½	Hungarian 4 %	47	+ ½
	Italian Rentes	67	
85½	Japan 4½ % 1st Series	85	
90½	Do. 4½ % 2nd Series	81½	
80½	Do. 4 % 1905	73½	
16½	Do. New 5 % 1907	90½	+ ¾
55½	Mexican 5 % '99	40	
43½	Portuguese 3 %	62	— 1
82	Russian 4 %	71	
	Do. 5 % 1906	84½	
86	Spanish 4 %	82	
85½	Turkish Unified	62½	
68½	Uruguay 3½ %	60	
4½	Peruvian Corporation	4½	
31½	Do. Pref.	8	
—	Do. Deb.	83½	

Home Rails.

Last M.U.			Rise or Fall.
98	Brighton	78	
77½	Do. A	53½	
64	Caledonian	51½	
15½	Do. Def. Ord.	9	— ¼
51	Do. Pref. Ord.	42½	
—	Central London Ord.	62	
11½	Chatham	5	
79	Do. Pref.	58	+ ¼
50	Do. 2nd Pref.	23½	+ ¼
54½	East London	89	
10½	East Central Def.	8	
21½	Do. Pref.	14½	
45½	Great Eastern	39	
85	Great Northern Pref.	73½	+ ¼
47	Do. Def.	40½	
44	Do. "A"	37½	
112½	Great Western	97½	+ ¼
57½	Hull and Barnsley	40½	
79½	Lancashire & Yorkshire	73	
124½	London & Nth.-Western	104	— ¼
112	Do. South-Western	83½	
31	Do. Def.	26½	+ ¼
	Do. New 5 % Pref.	69½	+ ¾
37	Metropolitan	25½	
22	Do. District	17	
86½	Midland Pref. Ord.	48½	
67½	Do. Def.	61½	
58½	North British Pref.	45½	+ ¼
23½	Do. Def.	16½	
119½	North-Eastern Consols	104	
71	South-Eastern	52	
108	Do. Pref.	89½	
30	South-Eastern A	24½	
69½	Taff Vale	58	

American Rails.

Last M.U.			Rise or Fall.
96½	Atchison Topeka	111½	+ ¼
101	Do. Pref.	103½	+ ¼
79½	Baltimore and Ohio	98½	+ ¼
45	Chesapeake and Ohio	68	+ ¼
87	Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	105½	+ ¼
4½	Denver	13½	+ ¼
8	Do. Pref.	22½	— ¼
23½	Erie	43½	
35	Do. 1st Pref.	60	
112	Illinois Central	111	— ¼
113	Louisville and Nashville	131*	
10½	Missouri, Kan., & Texas	6½	— ¼
30	Nat. Rlys. Mexico 1st Pf	24	
20	Do. 2nd Pref.	9½	
94	N.Y. Central & H. River	115*	+ ¼
19½	N.Y. Ontario	30	— ¼
103½	Norfolk and Western	124½	
55½	Pennsylvania	61	
81½	Philadelphia & Reading	86	
19½	Southern Common	24	
94	Southern Pacific Shares	106½	+ ¼
135	Union Pacific	144	+ ¼
½	Wabash	½	
4	Do. Pref.	3	
50½	United States Steel	90½	+ 1¼
112	Do. Pref.	122½	

Colonial and Foreign Rails.

Last M.U.			Rise or Fall.
174	Canadian Pacific	187½	+ 1
—	Canadian Nor. 3½ % Deb.	80	
—	Do. 4 % Perp. Db. Sk.	83½	+ ½
17½	Grand Trunk	12½	
88	Do. 4 % Guar.	64½	
90½	Do. 1st Pref.	67½	+ ½
73½	Do. 2nd Pref.	55½	+ ½
30	Do. 3rd Pref.	28½	
84½	Do. 4 % Perp. Db. St.	71½	— ½
	Do. Pac. Bch. 4 % Bds	72½	
106½	Antofagasta & Bol. Pfd Or	84½	
105	Do. 5 % Pref.	88	
153	Do. Def. Ord.	122½	
88½	Argentine Gt. West Ord	19½	
32	Do. N.S.	60½	
	Armavir Touapse Bds	78½	
81	Bahia Blanca Guar Stk	62½	— ½
	Do. 4½ % 2nd Debs.	71	
21	Brazil Railway	7½	
	Do. 6 % Cum. Pref.	17	
66	Do. 4½ % Mortgage	29½	
105½	Buenos Ayres Gt Sthrn.	88½	+ ½
89½	Do. and Pacific Ord.	62½	+ ½
106½	Do. & Western Stock	90½	+ 1¼
85½	Central Argentine Ord.	80½	+ ½
94½	Do. Def.	74½	
81	Central Uruguay Ord.	56½	
40½	Costa Rica	39½	
74	Entre Rios Ord.	20½	
44	Do. 5 % Pref. Cum.	49½	+ ½
	Gt. Western Brazil Ord.	20½	
66	Int-Oceanic of Mex. Pf	16½	
39	Mexican Rails	19½	
104	Do. 8 %	61½	+ ½
65	Do. 6 % Pref.	29½	
—	Mexican Sthn. 4 % Deb.	65	
—	Mex. N.W. 5 % Mt. Bds.	33	
28	Ottoman Rail	16	
230	San Paulo Ord.	173½	— ¼
15	Taltal Shares	2½	
79	United Havana Stock	78½	— ¼

TRAFFIC RECEIPTS.

	Last week £		Aggregate. Wks.	£		
Cork, Bandon & S.C.	2,443 +	306	2	4,437 +	81
Cork and Macroom	483 —	30	2	*791 —	33
Cork and Muskerry	330 +	35	—	—	—
Dublin & Lucan Elec.	113 +	4	2	228 —	11
Dub. United Trams	6,080 +	345	—	12,221 +	625

*13 days 1915; 14 days 1916.

+ Increase. — Decrease.

THE INDUSTRIAL MARKET.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, SATURDAY.

The feature of the Miscellaneous and Industrial market was a rebound of 2 to 51½ in Brazilian Tractions on the dividend announcement at the rate of 1 p.c. The Marconi group again came in for a good deal of attention. The Ord. reacted 6d. to 38s. 9d., and the Pref. was also 6d. down, but the American Shares further improved 6d. to 17s. 3d., and the Canadian Shares at 7s. were 1s. higher. Land Shares were idle. Hudson's Bays did not move. Argentine Northerns receded 6d. to 10s. but Forestals at 44s. 9d. were 3d. better. Coats Ord. reacted ⅛ to 5$\frac{5}{16}$, but the rest of the Textile group was steady. Armament Shares were steady to dull. Armstrongs fell 3d. to 35s. Vickers at 34s. 6d. were 6d. down. South Durhams eased 3d., and National Explosives at 17s. were 9d. weaker. Rolls-Royce, however, jumped 2s. 3d. to 34s. 9d. Lyons were strong in the Supply section, gaining 2s. 6d. at 83s. 3d. Liptons eased 3d., but Harrods at 70s. were 6d. up., while Van den Berghs fell 9d. to 49s. 6d. Bank Shares marked some narrow mixed changes on adjustments. Insurance Shares were steady.

Banks.

Last M.U.			Rise or Fall.
4½	Agricultural of Egypt	6½	
—	Anglo-Egyptian	9½	
—	Anglo-South American	5½	
—	Bank of Australasia	10½	+ ½
—	Bank of New Sth Wales	37½	
—	Barclay & Co. "A" Shs	8½	
—	Capital and Counties	23½	
—	Hong Kong & Shanghai	74½	
—	Lloyd's	24	
—	London & River Plate	30½	+ ½
—	Lon. Co. & Westminster	18½	+ ½
—	London Joint Stock	21½	+ ½
—	National	17½	
13½	National Bank of Egypt	10½	
—	National Prov. (£12 pd)	30½	+ ½
—	Parr's Bank	31½	+ ½
—	Stand. & Africa (£5 pd)	10½	+ ½
—	Union of Australia	34½	
—	Union of London	24½	

Telegraphs and Telephones.

Last M.U.			Rise or Fall.
23	Anglo-American Def.	21½*	
1¼	Marconi Wireless	38 9	— /6
1¼	Do. Pref.	34 0	— /6
3¼	Do. Canada	7 0	+ 1 0
16/6	Do. American	17 3	+ /6
¾	Do. Spanish	4 0	
1¼	West India & Panama	22 6	

Breweries.

Last M.U.			Rise or Fall.
10	Allsopp Pref. Ord.	3	
10	Do. 6 % Pref.	3½	
—	Barnsley Ord.	13½	
—	Bartholomay Ord.	33 0	
7½	Do. Pref.	6½	— ½
—	Bass, Ratcliff Pref.	80	
—	Chicago Ord.	87 6	
—	Denver	8 0	
—	Guinness Ord.	213½	
—	Do. Pref.	121½	
—	Ohlsson's Cape	80 0	
2	St. Louis Ord.	21 9	
7½	St. Louis Pref.	6½	
1½	South African Ord.	26 0	

Land Shares.

Last M.U.			Rise or Fall.
1/6	Aboukir £1 Shares	13 0	
15 0	Argentine N'th'n	10 0	— /6
13 0	Do. Southern	29 9	
16 3	British North Borneo	12 9	
38 0	Forestal	44 9	+ 3
7¼	Hudson's Bay (£1)	6½	
½	Peking Syndicate (2/-)	5 6	
12	Do. Shansi	14 9	
½	Port Madryn	5 6	

Home, Colonial and Foreign Electric Railways and Power Companies.

Last M.U.			Rise or Fall.
4½	Anglo-Argentine 1st Pf	82 6	
65	Brazilian Traction	51½	+ 2
—	Brit. Col. Elec. Ry. 5% Pf	60	
—	Do. 4½ % Deb.	64	
48	Mexican Lt. & Pr. Ord.	29½	
82	Do. 5 % Bonds	48½	
—	Montreal St. Rly. 4½ % Deb.	94½	
—	Monterey 5 % Deb.	39½	
70	Mexican Trams	42	
85½	Do. 5 % Bonds	47	
—	Portland Conv. 5% Bds	84	
99	Sao Paulo Trams 5% Dbs	87½	
101	Shawinigan Water 4½ % Deb.	83½	
—	Toronto Power 4½ % Deb.	80½	
2½	Underground Elec. (£10)	37 0	— /6
37½	Do. Income Bonds	82	

Miscellaneous.

Last M.U.			Rise or Fall.
—	Anglo-Russian Tst Ord	—	
2	Armstrong (Sir W. G.)	35 0	— /3
8½	Assid. P'r'd C'mt Ord.	7 0	
8½	Do. Pref.	7	
	Do. 5 % 2nd Deb.	83½	
29/6	Bovril Ord.	21 6	
6 3	Do. Def.	7 9	
14 3	British Oil and Cake	15 6	
—	Do. 5½ % Cum. Pref.	17 0	+ 3
4½	Brunner Mond. Ord.	78 6	+ 1 0
—	Cammell Laird Ord.	5	
36	Cargo Fleet	12 6	
7½	Coats Ord.	5$\frac{5}{16}$	— ⅛
11 9	Eastmans	7 3	
23 0	Gra'phone & T. Writer	18 0	— /3
4½	Harrod's Stores	70 0	+ /6
4½	Home & Col. 6% Pref.	5½	
—	Do. 15 % Cum Pf £1 Sh	46 6	
—	Do. 15 % Cm Or £1 Sh	46 6	
—	John Brown Ord.	21 6	
18 9	Kent Coal Concessions	12 3	+ /3
2½	Kynoch Ord.	29 0**	
—	Do. (Arklow) Debs.	93½	
5½	Lin. & Mach. "A" Deb	69	
—	Do. "B" Deb.	44	
—	Lipton Ord.	11 3	— /3
17 0	Do. Pref.	13 6	
11 9	Lyons and Co.	83 3	+ 2/6
16 9	Maypole Dairy Def.	24 6	
—	National Explosives	17 0	— /9
8 3	Pahang Cons. 5/- Shs	8 3	+ /6
—	Pears Ord.	38½	
17½	Pease and Partners	17½	
280	P. & O. Steamship Def.	274	+ 1
—	Rolls-Royce, Ltd.	34 9	+ 2 3
11 0	Schweppe Def.	7 3	
40 0	Spratt's Patent	39 0	
—	Dur. Steel and Iron	27 0	— /3
33 3	Van den Berg Ord.	49 6	— /9
35 0	Vickers (Ltd.)	34 6	— /6
—	Welford	17 6	

** Price at Birmingham 32/6

TEA SHARES.

Anglo-Ceylon States—69/4½.
Imperial Ord.—25/10½.

* Ex-dividend.

GERMAN EXCHANGE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

COPENHAGEN, SATURDAY.

The exchange on Germany here declined today from 60.50 to 60.15.

THE MINING MARKET.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, SATURDAY.

Business among Mines was on an attenuated scale, and the general tone was somewhat subdued. Kaffir Finance Shares fluctuated rather aimlessly on adjustments. Randfonteins fell 6d. to 12s. 3d. Rand Mines lost 3d., but East Rands hardened to that extent. Generals held steady. Daggafonteins were good among Gold Shares, rising another 1s. to 12s. 6d.

SOUTH AFRICAN—EXPLORATION AND LAND, ETC.

Cent. Mining and Invest.	6¼	$\frac{1}{16}$ + $\frac{1}{16}$
Goldfields of S. A.	1½	$\frac{1}{16}$ + $\frac{1}{16}$
East Rand Ex.	11	11/6 + 3d.
Gen. Min. and Fin.	7/9	8/3 + 3d.
Mozambique	8	9/- + 6d.
New Steyn	½	$\frac{1}{16}$ + $\frac{1}{16}$

GOLD.

Apex	8/-	8/6 + 6d.
Kleinfontein	29/9	30/3 — 6d.
Langlaagte	20/3	20/9 — 3d.
Modder B.	5½	6 — $\frac{1}{16}$
Randfontein	12/6	13/- + 3d.
Trans. Gold	1½	$\frac{1}{16}$ + $\frac{1}{16}$

GOLD DEEPS.

Crown Mines	3½	½ — $\frac{1}{16}$

DIAMONDS.

Jagers	2½	3½ — ½

RHODESIAN.

Chartered	10/6	10/9 — 1½d.
Tanganyika	1½	½ — $\frac{1}{16}$
Zambesi	10/9	11/3 — 3d.

MISCELLANEOUS TIN SHARES.

Kinta	1½	$\frac{1}{16}$ + $\frac{1}{16}$
Malayan	1½	$\frac{1}{16}$ + $\frac{1}{16}$
Tronoh	1½	$\frac{1}{16}$ + $\frac{1}{16}$

WEST AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND.

Associated	4/9	5/9 — 3d.
Do. North Blocks	4/3	5/3 — 3d.

AMERICAN, CANADIAN, AND MEXICAN.

Kirkland	1	1 + $\frac{1}{16}$

MISCELLANEOUS.

Broken Hill Props.	48/3	49/3 + 3d.
Frontino	8/6	9/6 + 3d.
Sulphide Corp.	20/9	21/9 — 3d.

RUBBER SHARES HARDER.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, SATURDAY.

The price of raw rubber hardened somewhat to 3s. 7d. per lb., and this helped Rubber Shares, many of which levelled up 3d. to 6d., though there were few signs of activity. Johore Rubber Lands were firm. Tandjongs jumped 2s. 3d. to 65s. 9d., and Peraks at 5s. 9d. were 6d. to the good. There was, however, a fall of 1s. to 39s. 9d. in Lanadrons.

Anglo-Dutch—14/5¼, +2¼d.
Anglo-Java (£1)—19/6, +9d.
Anglo-Malay (2/-)—10/3, +1½d.
Batang Malaka—2/11¼, -½d.
Beaufort Borneo—16/1¼, +9d.
B. N. B. Rubber Trust—12/9½.
Bukit Mertajam (2/-)—4/1½, -½d.
Bukit Rajah—6½.
Bukit Sembawang (2/-)—5/6, +3¾d.
Ceylon (Para) (2/-)—6/7½, -1½d.
Chersonese (2/-)—3/9.
Consolidated Malay (2/-)—10/3, -3d.
General Ceylon Rubber and Tea—60/0½, -1/2½.
Highlands and Lowlands—50/7½.
Johore Rubber—21/10½, -1½d.
Kepong (Malay)—11/4½.
Labu (F.M.S.)—6/11½, +2¼d.
Lanadron—39/9, -10½d.
Ledbury—55/-.
Linggi Ordinary (2/-)—18/3, +7½d.
London Asiatic (2/-)—7/-, +1½d.
Malacca Ordinary—95/-, +6/3.
Malacca Pref.—65/7½.
Malayalam—36/6, +6d.
Mapalgama—2/10½, -1½d.
Merlimau (2/-)—5/3¼, -1d.
North Hummock—65/-.
Perak Rubber Plantations—5/7½, +3d.
Rubber Trust (17/6 pd.)—16/9, +1½d.
Seafield—36/-.
Sialang—55/7½.
Singapore United—2/10½, -1d.
Straits (Bertam) (2/-)—4/9, -½d.
Sumbre Ajoe—1/8¼, -½d.
Taiping—2/11¼, -½d.
Tandjong—65/7½, +2/1½.
Tempeh—1/6.
United Serdang—11/6, +3d.
United Sumatra (2/-)—7/3¼, +4½d.
Way Halim—1/4½, +3d.

OIL SHARES UNCERTAIN.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, SATURDAY.

There was not much going on among Oil Shares, and prices moved with some uncertainty where they varied. Shells, though firm, closed unchanged at 4½. Ural Caspians eased $\frac{1}{16}$ to 1½. Spies at 13s. 9d. were 3d. to the good. There was a reaction of $\frac{1}{16}$ to 1⅝ in Mexican Eagle Prefd. Anglo-Egyptian "B" Shares mended 3d. to 8s. 6d.

Anglo-Egyptian B Shares—8/6.
Baku (New) (10/-)—2/4, +½d.
Burmah Oil Ord.—90/9, +1½d.
Cheleken Oilfields—7/9.
Kern River—6/-, -3½d.
Maikop Pipe Line—5/6.
Mexican Eagle Pref.—31/9.
North Caucasian—32/10½, -1½d.
Premier Oil and Pipe Line—1/3.
Roumanian Consol.—13/1½, +1½d.
Shell Trans. and Tra. Ord.—93/6, -3d.
Spies Petroleum—13/10½, +3d.
Ural Caspian—32/6.

MANCHESTER STOCK EXCHANGE.

Textile Shares firm. Sewing Cottons further improved 3d., whilst Fine Cotton Spinners supporters at 6d. advance. Closing prices:—

Bleachers Ord., 15/- to 15/3.	Coats Ord., 5½ to 5¼.
Do. Pref., 19/6 to 19/9.	English Sewing Cotton, 35/- to 35/6.
Bradford Dyers, 21/3 to 21/9.	Do. Pref., 18/- to 18/6.
Do. Pref., 17/6 to 17/9.	Fine Spinners, 25/6 to 25/-.
Stubbers, 4/6 to 4/9.	Do. Pref., 18/9 to 19/3.
Calico Printers Ord., 7/6 to 7/9.	English Velvet Ord., 18/- to 18/6.
Do. Pref., 13/3 to 13/9.	Do. Pref., 17/3 to 17/6.

BERMALINE is highly digestive and digestible.—(Advt.)

BIRMINGHAM CYCLE SHARE MARKET IDLE.

Business has been poor. Premiers keep depressed, and Enfields have relapsed to 27/6. Rovers have again exhibited considerable strength. Latest prices:—

Abingdon Ecco	1	3	Napier Pref.	*18	0
Alldays and Onions	*25	6	New Hudson	25	4½
Austin Pref.	*15	6	Do. Pref.	18	0
Belsize Motor	19	9	Perry's A Pref.	18	6
Birmingham Small Arms	39	0	Premier	0	6
Do. B Pref.	20	3	Do. Pref.	2	0
Bluemel Bros.	*19	9	Riley (Coventry)	7	10½
Bowden Brake	9	9	Rolls Royce	33	0
Brett's Stamping	40	6	Rovers	38	0
Brooks (J. B.)	36	0	Rudge-Whitworth	18	9
Calcott Bros.	42	0	Singer and Co.	46	0
Calthorpe Motor	53	6	Smith's Stamping	32	6
Clement Gladiator	3	6	Star Engineering	20	3
Components	5	6	Do. Pref.	*15	10½
Do. Def.	2	9	Stevens (A. J.)	23	0
Darracq and Co.	*22	3	Sunbeam Motor	48	6
Do. Pref.	19	6	Swift	18	0
De Dion Bouton	6	9	Do. Pref.	16	4½
Dennis Bros.	26	3	Triumph	55	6
Enfield Cycle	27	9	Vauxhall Motor	21	6
Do. B Pref.	27	6	Wolseley Motor Deb.	91	
Hughes Johnson	26	9	Dunlop Rubber	*43	6
Humber	9	7½	Do. Pref.	20	3
Do. Pref.	15	3	Do. French Income	18	9
James Cycle	14	0	Parent Tyre Ord.	*19	3
Leyland Rubber	27	1½	Do. Pref.	*14	3
Lucas (Jos.)	8½		Do. Def.	*19	4½
Middlemore and Lampitt	24	3	Brotherton Tube	2	9
Do. Pref.	22	6	Metallic Tube	8	0
			Tubes	*39	0

* Ex-dividend.

INSURANCE SALES.

BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON.—

Commercial Union	22½
Indemnity Mutual Marine	10½
Liverpool and London and Globe	19½
North British and Mercantile	29½
Sun Life Assurance Society	20½

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL.

Sun	11-31-32
Liverpool and London and Globe	19½
Royal Insurance	26¼*

*Exceptional amount at special price.

DIVIDENDS, REPORTS, AND MEETINGS.

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY.—19/- per cent.
ORIENT TRUST.—5 per cent.
JOHN CROSSLEY AND SONS.—5 per cent.
WAGON FINANCE.—Further 5 per cent.
SAN PAULO TRAMWAY.—2½ per cent. on Ord.
EGYPTIAN MARKETS.—Interim of 4 per cent.
DUNDEE COAL.—6 per cent.
MOUNT MORGAN GOLD.—1/- per share.
R. E. JONES.—At rate of 12 per cent. on Ord.
BRAZILIAN TRACTION.—1 per cent. on Common Shares.
LONDON AND PROVINCIAL BANK.—Balance dividend of 19 per cent.
PARKES DRUG STORES.—Final at rate of 6 per cent. on Pref. and 4 per cent. on Ord.
HALL AND CO.—At rate of 5 per cent. on Ord. for half-year.
BRAZILIAN LIGHT AND POWER.—1 per cent. on Ord.
EAST INDIA COAL.—At rate of 14 per cent. for half-year.
RIO TRAMWAY.—1½ per cent. on Capital Stock.
ISLE OF MAN BANKING.—At rate of 15 per cent. for half-year.
AMALGAMATED ZINC DELAVATS.—3/- per share.
FOREIGN AND COLONIAL INVESTMENT TRUST.—At rate of 5 per cent. on Pref. and 7 per cent. on Def. Stock.

WEEKLY TRADE REVIEW.

EXPORTS OF PORTER.

Messrs. A. Guinness, Son, and Co.'s shipments of porter from Dublin, as returned by the Customs daily shipping lists, for the past week, were:—

Butts.	Hhds.	Brls.	Hf. Brls.	Qr. Brls.
712	7,360	353	374	25

Corresponding week's shipments for previous three years:—

	Butts.	Hhds.	Brls.	Hf. Brls.	Qr. Brls.
1915	954	4,718	79	194	86
1914	1,831	5,382	280	268	13
1913	1,021	5,151	384	578	106

The above week's exports are equal to 9,142 hhds. for 1916, as against 6,756 hhds. for 1915, 9,299 hhds. for 1914, and 7,660 for 1913.

The following quantities of porter were also shipped from Dublin by the various firms named, as returned by the Customs daily shipping lists, for the week ending 15th January, 1916:—

	Bts.	Hhds.	Brls.	Hf. Brls.	Qr. Brls.	Pns.	Total Hhds.
Watkins, Jameson & Co.	—	40	20	55	13	—	74
Mountjoy Brewery	—	18	—	1	—	—	18
D'Arcy & Son	—	26	25	91	7	—	74
Total	—	84	45	147	20	—	166

Corresponding week's shipments for previous three years:—

	Bts.	Hhds.	Brls.	Hf. Brls.	Qr. Brls.	Pns.	Total Hhds.
1915	—	93	58	339	50	—	249
1914	4	137	68	177	17	—	253
1913	8	408	186	466	40	—	779

Messrs. E. and J. Burke last week exported 890 cases of porter.

Messrs. Lawson, Wilson, and Co. last week exported 811 cases of porter.

EXPORTS OF WHISKEY.

The quantities of whiskey exported from Dublin, as returned by the Customs daily shipping lists and bills of entry, and otherwise advised, for the week ending 15th January, 1916, were as follows:—

Pns.	Butts.	Hhds.	Cks.	Qr. Cks.	Octs.	Kegs.
—	16	18	5	3	—	—

Corresponding week's shipments for previous three years:—

	Pns.	Butts.	Hhds.	Cks.	Qr. Cks.	Octs.	Kegs.
1915	29	45	64	20	79	3	3
1914	—	42	59	39	12	1	2
1913	—	22	72	16	65	2	2

There were also shipped cross-Channel last week about 2,296 gallons of whiskey in bottles, jars, &c.

EXPORTS OF LIVE STOCK.

The shipments of live stock from Dublin, as officially returned for periods specified hereunder, were:—

	Week ending Jan. 8, 1916.	Week ending Jan. 9, 1915.	Week ending Jan. 10, 1914.
Cattle, oxen, &c.	7,301	8,065	5,938
Sheep	3,928	2,011	2,037
Swine	2,538	2,721	6,294
Horses	43	98	122
Total	13,800	12,895	14,389

The total shipments from all other ports of embarkation in Ireland for the week ending January 8th, 1916, were:—

	Cattle.	Sheep.	Swine.	Horses.	Asses.	Goats.
	9,388	1,057	3,931	38	1	45
Same week of 1915	14,501	1,613	5,479	364	1	10
Same week of 1914	9,420	2,203	3,285	347		1

Total exports, including those from Dublin, for the week ... above week, being 28,340 animals for 1916, against 34,783 animals for 1915, and 29,592 animals for 1914.

FOREIGN IMPORTS.

The direct foreign arrivals at the port of Dublin last week chiefly comprised the following:—

From St. John's, N.B.—2,864 tons wheat, wheaten flour, oatmeal, asbestos shingles, basswood, paper, scantlings, etc.

1st (DUBLIN) BATTALION ASSOCIATED VOLUNTEER TRAINING CORPS.

HEADQUARTERS—BEGGAR'S BUSH BARRACKS, DUBLIN.

BATTALION ORDERS BY OFFICER COMMANDING, dated 13th January, 1916.

No. 23.

Parade—The battalion will parade at Beggar's Bush Barracks.

Field Day at 3.15 p.m. on Saturday, 22nd January, 1916, to proceed to Phœnix Park to practice the attack.

Promotions—The Officer Commanding has approved of the following promotions:—"A" Company—Lance-Corporal R. Lefroy to be Company Quartermaster-Sergeant, vice H. N. Walker. "D" Company—Private R. Bunton to be Quartermaster-Sergeant of G.S.W. Railway Corps, vice H. S. Coe, resigned. Motor Cycle Section—Dr. J. Spencer Sheill to be Commandant, vice Mr. H. Pack-Beresford.

(Signed) J. WHITE, Adjutant.

NOTICE.

At a meeting of the officers of the battalion, held on the 10th inst., the following were appointed to act on the several Committees as under:—

Finance—Mr. F. H. Browning, Sub-Commandant, President; Mr. J. White, Adjutant; Mr. C. H. Gick, Quartermaster.

Band—Mr. J. R. Oliver, President; Mr. J. White, Adjutant; Mr. C. H. Gick, Quartermaster; Mr. H. Boyd Turner, Professor James Wilson, Mr. W. B. Mathers, Band Secretary.

Mess and General Purposes—Mr. F. H. Browning, Sub-Commandant, President; Mr. J. White, Adjutant; Mr. C. H. Gick, Quartermaster; Mr. H. J. Millar, Commander "A" Company; Mr. C. Dickinson, Commander "B" Company; Mr. J. R. Oliver, Commander "C" Company; Mr. J. Walshe, Commander "D" Company.

N.B.—The Officer Commanding is, ex-officio, Chairman of all Committees.

"A" COMPANY (IRISH RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION AND ST. ANDREW'S CORPS).

IRISH RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION CORPS.

Orderly officer for week—Platoon Commander E. A. McNair. Orderly N.C.O. for week—Section Commander W. Manning and Lance-Corporal H. S. Gibson.

Parades—Monday, 8 p.m., Lansdowne road—Musketry for unqualified shots. Monday, 8 p.m., Beggar's Bush—Recruits' drill. Tuesday, 8 p.m., Lansdowne road—Lecture, "Attack." Tuesday, 8.30 p.m., Lansdowne road—Physical drill. Wednesday, 8 p.m., Beggar's Bush—Guard mounting and section drill. Wednesday, 8 p.m., Beggar's Bush—Recruits' drill. Thursday, 5.30 and 8 p.m., Lansdowne road—Musketry. Friday, 8 p.m., Lansdowne road—Lecture, "Map Reading," by Army Schoolmaster H. B. Spencer.

ST. ANDREW'S CORPS.

Orderly officer for week—Quartermaster J. W. Frith. Orderly N.C.O. for week—Lance-Corporal Day.

Parades—Tuesday and Thursday, St. Andrew's College, 7 p.m.—Musketry. Tuesday and Thursday, St. Andrew's College, 7.45 p.m.—Section and platoon drill.

"B" COMPANY (DUBLIN VETERANS' CORPS).

Orderly officer for week—Platoon Commander Jas. Wilson. Orderly N.C.O. for week—Sergeant A. Kelly.

Parades—Monday, 8 p.m., Ballsbridge—Recruits' and N.C.O.s' drill. Wednesday, 4 p.m., Beggar's Bush—Company drill. Friday, 8 p.m., Ballsbridge—Drill and lecture on "Attack and Defence."

"C" COMPANY (GLASNEVIN CORPS).

Orderly officer for week—Platoon Commander R. W. Todd. Orderly N.C.O.'s for week—Sergeant Curry and Corporal Strahan.

Parades—Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday—Musketry, Strand street Range. Tuesday, 7.45 p.m., Dalymount—Guard and sentry duty. Friday, 7.45 p.m., Dalymount—Company drill. No. 4 Section, No. 2 Platoon, winners of "Craigie" Cup for musketry.

"D" COMPANY (G.N. RAILWAY, G.S. AND W. RAILWAY CORPS, NORTH CITY AND SOUTH CITY CORPS).

G.N. RAILWAY CORPS.

Parades—Tuesday and Thursday, 7.40 p.m., Amiens street—Company drill and handling arms. Saturday, 2.20 p.m.—Corps to fall in at Amiens street to march to Beggar's Bush Barracks for battalion parade.

G.S. AND W. RAILWAY CORPS.

Orderly officer for week—C. E. Riley. Orderly N.C.O.'s for week—C. A. Roberts and A. E. Poulter.

Parades—Monday, 5.15 p.m., Royal Barracks—Squad drill. Thursday, 8 p.m., Royal Barracks—Squad drill. Thursday, 7 p.m., Royal Barracks—Rifle range, musketry.

NORTH CITY CORPS.

Parades—Tuesday and Thursday, Amiens street, 8 p.m.—Company drill.

SOUTH CITY CORPS.

Orderly officer for week—Captain Smythe, R.E. Orderly N.C.O. for week—Sergeant-Major Hadnett.

Parades—Monday, 8.30 p.m.—Route march. Friday, Beggar's Bush, 8.30 p.m.—Musketry instruction and platoon drill.

RATHMINES VOLUNTEER TRAINING CORPS.

Orders for week ending January 22, 1916.—At Portobello Barracks—Monday and Wednesday, 8 p.m., section and platoon drill; 9 p.m., class of instruction for N.C.O.'s; Friday, 7.45, rifle practice; Saturday, 3 p.m., platoon, company, and extended order drill. Orderly Sergeant, Second Commr. A. J. Corrigan.

ENTERTAINMENT AT SOUTH DUBLIN UNION.

A most enjoyable entertainment was given on Friday night to the inmates of the South Dublin Union, in the Dining Hall. It was organised by Dr. Welleby. The programme arranged was of a most varied character, and included several of the professional artistes from the different Dublin theatres and music halls, and their efforts in this direction, as well as those of the amateurs, were in all cases appreciated to such an extent that encores had to be given in every case. After this came a cinematograph entertainment of about two hours' duration, which was provided by Mr. Bradlaw, managing director of the "Princess Cinema," Rathmines. The pictures were thoroughly appreciated. At the conclusion of the entertainment the Master, Mr. Doyle, expressed the thanks of the inmates for the delightful entertainment provided, and stated that it was by far the best they had ever seen during the 15 years he had been there, and that Dr. Welleby and Mr. Bradlaw, in particular, deserved the greatest credit for the way in which everything had been arranged. Mr. Bradlaw made a speech, testifying to the very great pleasure it had given him to provide a little enjoyment for the inmates. He thought that sometimes the man who did least received the most credit. He had really done the least of all, for he had left things in the hands of Mr. Tate, the chief operator of the "Princess Cinema," as he considered only the best was good enough, and Mr. Tate had himself superintended and arranged everything connected with that part of the entertainment, with the assistance of the clerk of the works, the electrician, and other members of the Union staff.

The Master (Mr. Doyle), the Matron (Mrs. Doyle), the Assistant Matron (Miss Mannion), and the Assistant Master (Mr. O'Connor), also did everything possible for the enjoyment of the inmates.

YOU CAN RELY ON CLARKE'S B 41 PILLS as a safe and sure remedy, in either sex, for all acquired or constitutional Discharges from Urinary Organs, Gravel, Pains in the Back, and kindred complaints. Over 50 years' success. Of all chemists, 4/6 per box, or sent direct, post free, for sixty Penny Stamps, by the Proprietors—The Lincoln and Midland Counties Drug Co., Ltd., Lincoln—Clarke's B 41 Pills (free from mercury).—(Advt.)

NAVAL AND MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

(FROM OUR MILITARY CORRESPONDENT IN IRELAND.)

An Army Order announces that it has been decided in certain cases and under certain conditions to allow non-commissioned officers and men of the Regular Army to re-engage so as to enable them to complete twenty-one years' service with a view to pension. Warrant officers, staff-sergeants, and sergeants, other than mobilised Section D Reservists, will be dealt with under the conditions laid down in Paragraph 264, King's Regulations. Other soldiers, including mobilised Section D Reservists, may be allowed to re-engage at the discretion of their commanding officer when within three months of completing their present engagement, including the extra year's service to which they are liable under Section 87 (1) of the Army Act. Non-commissioned officers or men whose continuance in the service for the duration of the war has been approved under Army Order 252 of last year may be permitted at the discretion of their commanding officer to re-engage to complete a period of 21 years' Army service, provided that they give notice before 14th April next. No non-commissioned officer or man will, however, be allowed to re-engage unless it is possible for him to complete 14 years' qualifying service and at least 18 years' total service before reaching the age of 45; and no soldier who re-engages as above, will be eligible for the special privileges as to pay and gratuity under the War Office instructions issued in November last. Service in the Reserve will not count as qualifying service for fixing the rate of pension unless the soldier was mobilised from Sections A or B of the Reserve. A soldier mobilised from Section D of the Reserve may only count his Reserve service as qualifying service if he is invalided through Army duty.

It has been decided that, except in very special circumstances, commissions in the Territorial Force will only be given to men who have completed a recruit's course, or its equivalent, preference being given to men who have served with an Expeditionary Force, and are recommended by their commanding officers. Where a candidate for a commission has previously served, but has ceased to do so for some time prior to his application, the case is to be considered on its merits as to whether such candidate served long enough and recently enough for his previous training to place him on an equality with candidates who have recently served, and are available.

Approval has been given for the transfer of Major P. H. O'Hara, 14th Battalion Welsh Regiment, to the 10th Battalion Royal Dublin Fusiliers as Second in Command.

Approval has been given for the transfer of temporary Second Lieutenant C. Bailey, 7th Battalion Royal Munster Fusiliers, now attached to the 5th Battalion, to the 10th Battalion Royal Dublin Fusiliers. Temporary Second Lieutenant C. W. Grant, 7th Battalion Royal Irish Fusiliers, is also to be transferred to the 10th Battalion.

The next course of instruction at the School of Cookery, Beggar's Bush Barracks, Dublin, will assemble on the 24th January.

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS.

ADMIRALTY, SATURDAY.

Lieutenant Commander G. B. Palmer to Vernon, additional for T. duties. R. S. Hewlett (retired) to Vivid, additional for R.N. Training Establishment. A. B. M'Cullagh to Osethyst for ... duties. D. Stuart to Moy, in command, to date January 4. Lieutenant A. M. Garlick to Vivid, additional, temporary, to date January 14.

ENTRIES.

Gunner H. C. Tuck to Torpedo-Boat 24, to date January 14.

Acting Gunners—G. ... Angell to Torpedo-Boat 22. A. W. Newman, R. B. Nichol to Vernon, additional, to date January 14.

A. J. Berry, T. M. Murray, R. P. Corke entered as Engineer Lieutenants, for temporary service, with seniority of January 12, and appointed to Victory, supernumerary, to date January 26.

W. G. H. Nicolson entered as Engineer Sub-Lieutenant, for temporary service, with seniority of January 12, and appointed to Victory, supernumerary, to date January 26.

PROMOTIONS.

Lieutenant H. R. Moore promoted to Lieutenant Commander, to date January 15.

Acting Sub-Lieutenants—G. A. B. Hawks, R. A. Lidstone, R. A. Boucher, R. P. Martin, J. G. Overhead, R. Hughes-Onslow, G. S. Greenland, A. H. Wann, T. W. Elmhirst, M. J. Yeatman, R. F. Fegen, C. T. Paynter, R. W. W. Cook, A. J. Beant, P. E. Vaux, W. P. A. Chambers, R. V. C. Hunt, L. J. B. Walters, H. M. C. Webber, F. C. Harding, L. C. Ansdell, J. C. Little, R. F. R. Sainsley, P. N. Cobbold, A. D. S. Grant, and J. A. Barron all promoted to Sub-Lieutenants, to date January 15.

ROYAL MARINES.

Frederick Seymour granted commission as temporary Lieutenant, R.N., for service in Royal Naval Division, to date January 14.

ROYAL NAVAL AIR SERVICE.

The following have all been entered as Sub-Lieutenants, and appointed to President, additional for R.N.A.S., to date as follows:—R. A. Little, January 12; J. E. Northink, January 14; O. R. Guffin, December 24; E. J. Travers, January 5; G. P. Powles, December 24.

E. E. Wallington Butt granted temporary commission as Sub-Lieutenant, R.N.V.R., and appointed to President, additional for R.N.A.S., to date January 14.

FROM THE LONDON GAZETTE.

WAR OFFICE, 15th JANUARY, 1916.

REGULAR FORCES.

COMMANDS AND STAFF.

The undermentioned appointments are made:—

GENERAL STAFF.

General Staff Officers, 1st Grade—Brevet Major G. P. Dawnay, D.S.O., M.V.O., Reserve of Officers, from the 2nd Grade, and to temporary Lieutenant-Colonel whilst so employed. 3rd Grade—Captain W. F. Stirling, D.S.O., Reserve of Officers.

ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S AND QUARTER-MASTER-GENERAL'S STAFF.

Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster-General—Major W. M. Stewart, Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders, and to temporary Lieutenant-Colonel whilst so employed, vice Colonel J. G. Panton, C.M.G., Reserve of Officers.

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS.

Graded for purposes of pay as a General Staff Officer, 3rd Grade—Second Lieutenant R. G. S. Gunnis, Royal Engineers, Territorial Force, from temporary Lieutenant, Royal Engineers, vice Lieutenant F. J. G. Gardiner, Border Regiment, Special Reserve.

Graded for purposes of pay as Staff Lieutenants, 2nd Class—Second Lieutenant N. D. Williams, Prince of Wales's Volunteers (South Lancashire Regiment), Special Reserve, and to be seconded; Second Lieutenant C. H. L. F. M. T. Chamberlayne, Prince of Wales's Leinster Regiment (Royal Canadians), Special Reserve, and to be seconded; temporary Second Lieutenant E. G. Scrivener, attached Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment), and to be transferred to the General List; temporary Second Lieutenant H. H. Hindmarsh, King's Own Scottish Borderers, and to be transferred to the General List.

ATTACHED TO HEADQUARTER UNITS.

Staff Captain—Temporary Captain R. S. Hooper, Herefordshire Regiment, Territorial Force, vice temporary Lieutenant P. V. Chapman, Suffolk Regiment, Territorial Force.

HEADQUARTERS OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND DEPARTMENTS.

Assistant Directors of Works—Lieutenant-Colonel J. P. Blakeway, Royal Engineers; Lieutenant-Colonel W. V. Sandamore, Royal Engineers.

HEADQUARTERS FOR EMBARKATION DUTIES.

Assistant Embarkation Staff Officer, graded for purposes of pay as a Staff Captain—Lieutenant-Colonel H. Morgan, retired pay.

The undermentioned temporary appointments are made at the War Office:—

Deputy Assistant Director—Major W. C. Crosse, Army Service Corps, vice Major R. C. Jellicoe, Army Service Corps.

Staff Captain—Temporary Captain J. R. M. Stanfield, Royal Engineers, Territorial Force.

The undermentioned temporary appointment is made:—

Special appointment, Ministry of Munitions (graded for purposes of pay as a Staff Lieutenant, 1st Class)—Temporary Captain A. E. Borthwick, from an Assistant Superintendent, Remount Service.

ESTABLISHMENTS.

ROYAL FLYING CORPS—MILITARY WING.

Flight Commander—Temporary Lieutenant H. Whitaker, Royal Engineers, from a Balloon Officer, and to temporary Captain whilst so employed.

CAVALRY.

RESERVE REGIMENTS.

1st Reserve Regiment—Temporary Lieutenant (honorary Captain) A. West relinquishes his temporary commission.

ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY.

Royal Horse and Royal Field Artillery—Temporary Major J. Walker, to temporary Lieutenant-Colonel whilst in command of a Divisional Ammunition Column. Second Lieutenant F. J. Carter to temporary Lieutenant. To temporary Second Lieutenants, on probation—R. A. Blake, L. A. Rushbrooke, J. M. Hinnsley.

Royal Garrison Artillery—Temporary Second Lieutenant E. J. B. Leighton relinquishes his commission on account of ill-health. To temporary Second Lieutenants (on probation)—V. H. Holt, S. T. Taylor.

CORPS OF ROYAL ENGINEERS.

Temporary Major W. F. Bell relinquishes his commission on account of ill-health.

R. R. Seward to temporary Lieutenant.

To temporary Second Lieutenants (on probation)—L. A. Mackie, J. Foster, O. L. Gibbon, G. L. R. Henderson, R. W. F. Higby, A. E. Lance, A. C. McCartney, G. Mercer, J. L. Westmacott, P. Windross, W. Wilson.

INFANTRY.

South Staffordshire Regiment—The appointment to the rank of Captain of temporary Captain C. R. L. Dashwood, Northumberland Fusiliers, notified in the Gazette of the 28th December, 1915, is cancelled at his own request.

Gordon Highlanders—Second Lieutenant (temporary Captain) J. E. Forbes relinquishes his temporary rank.

Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders—Major and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel (temporary Brigadier-General) R. H. Kirk to Lieutenant-Colonel.

MACHINE GUN CORPS.

Training Centre—Captain R. G. Ball, Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers, to Instructor, and to be seconded.

ARMY SERVICE CORPS.

Major W. G. Huskisson to temporary Lieutenant-Colonel.

Captain J. A. Northcote, Reserve of Officers, to temporary Major.

The undermentioned temporary Captains to temporary Majors—K. M. Beaumont, J. B. Melville.

The undermentioned temporary Lieutenants to temporary Captains—C. H. Maurice, J. H. Eaton, J. J. Rogers, T. D. Morison, R. A. Wheble, A. R. Cox, J. K. Maurice, A. O. Samson, G. Williams, H. J. A. Reid, E. M. Clarke, S. S. Trick, A. J. Wadman, R. E. Matthews.

The undermentioned temporary Second Lieutenants to temporary Lieutenants—W. T. Hughes, A. G. Jones, T. L. Edmeades, A. A. Thorpe, J. H. Marshall, W. K. Schwartz, W. S. Ray, W. S. Tye, F. R. Ford, W. G. P. Bannister, E. Crawford, G. S. Rucker, A. B. Ford, A. R. O'Connor-Glynn, A. G. Waylen, F. N. Smith, J. S. Bertram, N. G. Holland, P. D. Power, E. H. M. Wood.

F. E. Rootham to temporary Honorary Lieutenant, but without pay or allowances.

ARMY MEDICAL SERVICE.

Royal Army Medical Corps—Temporary Lieutenant R. Macarthy relinquishes his commission.

ARMY ORDNANCE DEPARTMENT.

The undermentioned to temporary Lieutenants—F. Deeves, M. G. Dashwood, A. H. W. Scott, N. Hobart, J. B. Clarke, H. K. Bent, C. W. Packford.

MEMORANDA.

The undermentioned to be Colonels—Lieutenant-Colonel (temporary Colonel) Army Service Corps, Lieutenant-Colonel (temporary Brigadier-General) J. J. Parker, C.M.G. (Dun Royal Artillery Reserve) (temporary Brigadier-General); W. H. Greenly, C.M.G., D.S.O., from 19th (Queen Alexandra's Own Royal) Hussars.

Lieutenant-Colonel (Honorary Colonel) the Hon. W. G. Hepburne-Scott (Master of Polwarth), from Royal Scots (Lothian Regiment), Territorial Force, to temporary Colonel whilst employed as a Group Commander.

Temporary Second Lieutenant S. H. Maynard relinquishes his commission on ceasing to be employed on recruiting duties.

Temporary Second Lieutenant H. L. Sunderland relinquishes his commission on account of ill-health.

Quartermaster and Honorary Captain A. E. Pridgeon, 14th (King's) Hussars, to Honorary Major.

GENERAL RESERVE OF OFFICERS.

INFANTRY.

Officers' Training Corps—Second Lieutenant E. P. Wilkinson to Lieutenant.

SPECIAL RESERVE OF OFFICERS.

RESERVE UNITS.

INFANTRY.

King's Own Scottish Borderers—Lieutenant (temporary Captain) J. M. Challinor to Captain.

Royal Irish Rifles—The undermentioned are seconded for service with a garrison battalion:—Lieutenants—H. G. W. Greer, J. L. Kinnaird. Second Lieutenants—C. H. Crossling, J. L. J. Blood, J. Corcoran.

SUPPLEMENTARY TO REGULAR UNITS OR CORPS.

FOOT GUARDS.

Grenadier Guards—P. M. Spence, from temporary Captain, Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment), to Lieutenant.

ARMY VETERINARY CORPS.

Lieutenant (on probation) M. Glynn is confirmed in his rank.

WAR OFFICE, 15th JANUARY, 1916.

REGULAR FORCES.

INFANTRY.

SERVICE BATTALIONS.

Royal Scots (Lothian Regiment)—Temporary Lieutenant W. L. Tod to temporary Captain. Temporary Second Lieutenant and Adjutant L. W. Nott to temporary Lieutenant.

Northumberland Fusiliers—Temporary Lieutenant G. J. W. Holloway, from Prince of Wales's Own (West Yorkshire Regiment), to be temporary Lieutenant.

Royal Fusiliers (City of London Regiment)—Temporary Lieutenant W. R. Richards to temporary Captain. The undermentioned temporary Second Lieutenants to temporary Lieutenants—A. E. Moss, R. A. Ford, J. E. P. Grenfell, A. C. Somerset. The undermentioned to temporary Second Lieutenants—W. S. Cole, J. E. Gulham, R. T. Buss, J. Walker.

Suffolk Regiment—Temporary Second Lieutenant J. S. Cobald relinquishes his commission on account of ill-health.

Royal Scots Fusiliers—Temporary Second Lieutenant A. Graham relinquishes his commission on account of ill-health.

Cheshire Regiment—The undermentioned temporary Lieutenants to temporary Captains—C. Sturla, E. F. Thurgood. The undermentioned temporary Second Lieutenants to temporary Lieutenants—G. G. Earl, R. F. Lawrenson.

Royal Welsh Fusiliers—Major C. Burrard (retired, Indian Army) to temporary Lieutenant-Colonel while commanding a battalion.

Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry—Temporary Lieutenant G. G. Piper relinquishes his commission on account of ill-health.

Hampshire Regiment—Temporary Lieutenant P. Parsons, from a Reserve battalion, to temporary Lieutenant. H. G. McGill to temporary Second Lieutenant.

South Staffordshire Regiment—Temporary Lieutenant R. G. Alkin, from North Staffordshire Regiment, to temporary Lieutenant.

Dorsetshire Regiment—The undermentioned temporary Lieutenants, from Hampshire Regiment, to temporary Lieutenants—F. G. Turner, G. Stockwell.

South Lancashire Regiment—Temporary Lieu...

... lieutenant M. T. Tudor, to temporary Lieutenant. Welsh Regiment—... George, from a Reserve ..., Lieutenant. Nottinghamshire and D... porary Lieutenant A. C. ... Regiment, to temporary L... Loyal North Lancashire ... tioned temporary Captain ... lion, to temporary Captain ... Feuvre. Temporary Lieu... from Royal West Surrey ... Lieutenant. Royal West Kent Reg... garding temporary Capt... appeared in the Gazette ... is cancelled. Tempora... Ell retires on retire... King's Royal Rifle... Lieutenant South A... Wiltshire Re... Holland, from ... Major. Manchester Re... E. Kohlhead, fr... porary Captain. North Staffordshi... tioned temporary Captai... A. V. Cole, from a Rese... love, from Wiltshire R... York and Lancaster ... tioned temporary Captain... lion, to temporary Capta... Leahy. The undermention... from Yorkshire Regiment, ... G. Hicking. R. S... Lieutenant D. G. Hayes, ... to temporary Lieutenant ... Royal Irish Rifles—T... B. Macqueen, from W... porary Lieutenant. Connaught Rangers... White, from Reser... Lieutenant. Temporary Second ... 12th Service Battalion... temporary Lieutenant.

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The Secretary of the Admiralty ... the following Cadets passed out ... Naval College, Dartmouth, as ... seniority of January 1, 1916:—George C. P. Menzies, John P. L. Paxley, Wemyss F. Bennitt, Charles F. Robinson, Cecil F. F. Hall, Edward F. Collingwood, William R. Hocking, Ronald J. Berry, Malcolm A. M. Harris, John S. Crawford, Arthur A. Havers, Denis M. Lees, Claude Palmer, Oswald J. H. Giddy, Peter V. James, David E. G. Wemyss, Bonham M. de L. Faunce, Edward Watson, Geoffrey Hesley, William F. Humphreys, Horace T. J. Baylis, Thomas M. Field, Geoffrey D. Stokes, Cyril R. Whitcroft, Kenneth B. Wilson, Geoffrey N. Loriston-Clarke, Charles G. H. Hallett, David Orr Ewing, Hubert A. Somerville, Roger W. Dinsdale, Walter J. C. Cobley, Reginald J. L. W. ..., John R. de ... la H. ..., Reginald Allingame, George D. Villiers, Mark Naylor, Charles A. Bolton, Percy Trevelyan, William J. Seymour, George Hepwell, John B. ..., Stanley ..., Ireland ..., Henry ... court, Meynell ..., Trevor ..., Robert ..., Berwick ..., Henry ..., Patrick ..., Richard ..., Ronald ..., John ..., Marga..., James ... comp..., Kenneth ..., Corston ..., William ..., Fitz..., Christo..., Robert ..., Kildare ..., Henry ..., Richard ..., William ..., William ..., Charles ..., Michael ..., Hon. ..., W. ..., Robert ..., Herbert ..., Dixwell ..., Geoffrey ..., John ..., William ..., Rowley ..., Richard ....

KINGSTOWN QUARTER...

COLLECTION OF D...

The Recorder presided on Saturday ... Quarter Sessions in the Court House ... Mrs. Roper, Howth View, Coliemore ... sued Mr. Arthur Torkington, 17 ... street, Kingstown, for assault ... claimed £50 damages.

Mr. Coulter, solicitor, appeared ... and Mr. Gerald Byrne, jun., solicitor ... Byrne and Co.) for the defendant.

Mr. Coulter said that on the ... Mr. Torkington, the defendant ... tiff's residence when her husband ... demanded payment of certain account ... in a very bullying fashion ... tried to force his way into the house ... payment of the account, although ... already undertaken to pay the debt.

Mrs. Roper gave evidence ... statement. She said she was ... and had to consult a doctor.

Mr. Charles Roper, the husband ... had suspended payment of the debt ... as Mr. Torkington had asked him ... the door to his face and jammed ... called for a revolver. He never ... to her. He went away quietly.

Other evidence having been given ... The Recorder said Mr. Roper ... to be brought over a very ... because at the very best it was ... of the door. The defendant had ... shove against the door. It would ... debts they should do it in a proper ... was no right in any creditor to ... kind, but he thought that the incident ... exaggerated. He gave a decree ... costs.

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